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FOREWORD

The Government of Rwanda conducted the Seasonal Agriculture Survey (SAS) from November 2012 to September 2013 to gather up-to-date information for monitoring progress on agriculture programs and policies in Rwanda, including the Economic Development and Poverty Reduction Strategy (EDPRS), the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and Vision 2020.

The 2013 SAS covered three agricultural seasons (A, B and C) for the year 2013 in Rwanda. Respondents have been grouped in two categories: Agricultural Operators and Large Scale Farmers (LSF). The survey provides data on background characteristics of the agricultural operators, farm characteristics (area, yield and production), agricultural practices, agricultural equipments, use of crop production by agricultural operators and by large scale farmers.

The 2013 SAS was implemented by the National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda (NISR) in partnership with the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources (MINAGRI), National Agriculture Export Board (NAEB), Rwanda Agricultural Board (RAB), Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning (MINECOFIN), the National Bank of Rwanda, Rwanda Natural Resources Authority (RNRA) and the Rwanda Environmental Management Authority (REMA).

Results of the 2013 SAS indicated key achievements had occurred in the agricultural indicators. The survey results showed that the main crops grown in 2013 Season A, were beans followed by banana cassava and maize, while in season B, the main crops grown were bananas followed by cassava, beans, and sorghum . Season C was quite different as the main crops were Irish potatoes followed beans and vegetables.

This report is therefore an important tool that addresses agricultural concerns and informs policy makers and other stakeholders of priority areas of intervention. Last but not least, we urge all stakeholders, both individuals and organizations, to play an active role in using this valuable information to contribute to a better quality life for the Rwandan population.

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ACRONYMS

AAIC	Agricultural Assessment International Corporation
CSPPro	Census and Survey Processing System developed by the U.S Census Bureau and ICF International. This software can be used for entering, editing, tabulating, mapping and disseminating census and survey data
GIS	Geographic Information System
GPS	Global Positioning system
Ha	Hectare
Kg	Kilogram
Kg/Ha	Kilogramme per Hectare
LSF	Large Scale Farmers
MFS	Multiple Frame Survey
MINAGRI	Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources
MINECOFIN	Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning
MT	Metric Tonnes
NAEB	National Agriculture Export Board
NISR	National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda
PDA	Personal Digital Assistant
PPS	Probability Proportional to Size is a sampling technique for use with surveys or mini-surveys in which the probability of selecting a sampling unit (e.g., village, zone, district, and health center) is proportional to the size of its population. It gives a probability (i.e., random, representative) sample.
PSU	Primary Sampling Unit is a subdivision of the stratum into non-overlapping land with other PSUs. These are areas with recognized physical boundaries formed by segments.
RAB	Rwanda Agricultural Board
REMA	Rwanda Environmental Management Authority
RNRA	Rwanda Natural Resources Authority
RWF	Rwandan Franc (currency)
SAS	Seasonal Agricultural Survey
SPSS	Statistical Package for Social Science.
Sq.m.	Square meter.
SSU	Secondary Sampling Units is a Segment.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2013 Seasonal Agriculture Survey (SAS) was conducted by the National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda (NISR), and it covered three agricultural seasons (A, B and C) for the year 2013 in Rwanda. The main objective of the 2013 SAS was to provide timely, accurate, credible and comprehensive agricultural statistics that would not only describe the structure of agriculture in Rwanda in terms of land use, crop production and livestock, and be used for food and agriculture policy formulation and planning, but also which can be used for the compilation of national accounts statistics.

The survey fieldwork commenced on 12 November 2012 and continued up to 28 September 2013, ensuring that all agricultural seasons were covered. The sample was composed of two categories of respondents: Agricultural Operators¹ and Large Scale Farmers² (LSF). For the category of Agricultural Operators, the 2013 SAS benefited from a dual frame sampling design (called Multiple Frame Survey or MFS). For the category of LSF, everyone had been enumerated.

The 2013 SAS used imagery from RNRA with a very high resolution of 25 centimeters. The total land of the country was divided into ten strata. Three of these strata were chosen to be used for the survey since they were composed of agricultural land. Thereafter, agricultural land strata were delineated into Segments³ within the Primary Sampling Units (PSU) with identifiable physical boundaries. The Agricultural Operators within the segments were the Second Stage Sampling (SSU) units.

The 2013 SAS covered 327 segments, spread throughout the country during the two main agricultural seasons (A and B) and 251 segments during the Season C both in mountains and marshlands areas.

The survey covered 15,441 Agricultural Operators and 562 LSF in season A; 15,730 Agricultural Operators and 503 LSF in Season B; and 1,412 Agricultural Operators in Season C. In Season C, LSF were not covered.

The main areas of data analysis include: demographic and social characteristics of Agricultural Operators and LSF; farm characteristics: Area, yield and production; agricultural practices; small agricultural equipments; and use of crop production.

¹ Agricultural operators: These are Small Scale Farmers within the Segments

² Farmer: (holder or operator) is a civil or juridical person who makes major decisions regarding resource use and exercises management control over the farm.

³ Segment: is a piece of land with boundaries delineated on a map. In area sampling, the total area for the population to be sampled is divided into segments. These Segments are Secondary Sampling Units.

Characteristics of Agricultural operators

Almost two thirds of the total Agricultural Operators during three seasons were men. During all three seasons, the modal age of men, with agricultural holdings was observed to be between 25 years and 34 years. They represent 28% of all men with agricultural holdings. The modal age of women was between 45 years and 54 years. They represent 24% of all women with agricultural holdings. Over 63% of all Agricultural Operators had completed primary level education while 25 % had no education.

Crop land

The main crops grown in 2013 Season A, were Beans (25.9% of the total cultivated area), Banana (21.3%), Cassava (13.7%) and Maize (11.3%); while in season B, the main crops grown were Banana (27.7%), Beans (13.3%), Cassava (20.0%) and Sorghum (11.2%). Season C was quite different as the main crops were Irish Potatoes (70.9%), Beans (14.4%) and Vegetables (11.8%).

The average holding of agricultural land was 0.24 Hectares in Season A, 0.28 Hectares in Season B, and 0.10 Hectares in Season C for each Agricultural Operator. However, potential land was still remarkable, as fallow land represented almost one third of the total arable land of Rwanda (33.5% in season A and 30.0% in season B) with 50 % of fallow land in Eastern Province.

Agricultural Inputs

Between 82-92% of Agricultural Operators used traditional seeds. 48-71% of Agricultural Operators used organic fertilizers during all seasons while inorganic fertilizers were used only by 17% to 20% of Agricultural Operators in season A and B. Between 7% and 9% of Agricultural Operators used pesticides in Seasons A and B, but in season C, 64% of Agricultural Operators used pesticides.

Agricultural practices

This Seasonal Agriculture Survey showed that only 36.2% of the total agricultural land during season A and 20.8% of the total agricultural land during season B was used by Agricultural Operators to grow crops in pure stand in Rwanda. Nonetheless, for Large Scale Farmers, the percentage of the land cultivated in pure stand was 66.3-84.2%.

In seasons A and B, between 2% - 3% of all agriculture operators practiced irrigation but in season C, their percentage was 11.7%. Finally, Agricultural Operators having plots with anti-erosion activities were 63.2 in Season A, 65.7 in Season B and 78.8 in Season C.

Chapter 1: Introduction

1.1 Need for Agricultural Statistics

During the last decades, Rwanda has impressively achieved a lot in poverty reduction, and agriculture sector played an important role. To continue in this effort to eradicate poverty and hunger, policy makers and planners will continuously need accurate and timely statistics of agriculture sector.

In recognition of above achievements, the National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda (NISR) in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources (MINAGRI) introduced a new program of agriculture surveys that uses a multiple frame sampling techniques, based on probability sampling and estimation methods combining an area frame and a list frame. This is a Seasonal Agriculture Survey (SAS) designed and implemented since 2013 agricultural year. It is the only way that could regularly provide timely and credible statistics to be used in various planning processes for agriculture development in Rwanda.

This 2013 SAS report is an improved version based on experiences gained in the 2014 SAS.

1.2 Objectives of the survey

The main objective of the new agricultural statistics program is to provide timely, accurate, credible and comprehensive agricultural statistics that would not only describe the structure of agriculture in Rwanda in terms of land use, crop production and livestock and can be used for food and agriculture policy formulation and planning, but also which can be used for the compilation of national accounts statistics.

1.3 Time frame

This pilot survey was conducted from 09th to 21st July 2012 and the main Seasonal Agriculture Survey was conducted from 12th November 2012 to 28th September 2013.

1.4 Agricultural Seasons in Rwanda

The agricultural year in Rwanda has three seasons:

- Agricultural Season A: starts in September of one calendar year and ends in February of the following calendar year;
- Agricultural Season B: starts in March and ends in July of the same calendar year; and

- Agricultural Season C starts in August and ends with September of the same calendar year).

These seasons can sometimes be subject to climate uncertainties and present some differences from one Province to another.

1.5 Institutions Involved

Figure 1: Participants who endorsed the MFS Survey design



The survey was conducted by NISR in collaboration with MINAGRI and other institutions involved in agricultural programs. The survey design was endorsed at a workshop that was held at Centre de Pastoral Notre Dame de Fatima in Musanze district from 27th to 29th February, 2012. Figure 1 shows persons who attended the workshop.

The following institutions were represented: NISR, MINAGRI, National Agriculture Export Board (NAEB), Rwanda Agricultural Board (RAB), Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning (MINECOFIN), the National Bank of Rwanda, Rwanda Natural Resources Authority (RNRA) and the Rwanda Environmental Management Authority (REMA). All participants committed to work together in order to build a strong National Agricultural Statistical System for Rwanda.

Chapter 2: Methodology of the Survey

2.0 Introduction

2.1 Coverage of the Survey

The survey covered the entire country. A sampling frame of Large Scale Farmers (LSF) was prepared to be used for enumeration. At the same time, the sampling units of an area frame called segments were constructed by professionals in Geographic Information System (GIS) from both NISR and MINAGRI using orthophotos from the Rwanda Natural Resource Authority (RNRA). Within segments; small scale Agricultural Operators were identified and enumerated using instruments previously prepared for the survey.

2.2 Multiple Frame Survey Design

The design of the Multiple Frame Survey (MFS) combined a probability sample of segments which were selected from the area sampling⁴ frame, with a list of LSF to be totally enumerated during the data collection period.

2.3 Area Frame and List Frame Construction

2.3.1 Area Frame Construction

The area frames were constructed using satellite imagery and dividing the land into land-use and domain strata.

Within each of the 30 districts, land was stratified into homogeneous strata according to crop intensity. It means that land totally or almost totally under crops (Cropland) was separated from land that had very few crops or was mostly pasture land.

The land-use strata were defined by proportion of cultivated land, or other land-use characteristics. Unless otherwise stated, when referring to an area sample, the word stratum will be used to denote land-use and domain definition strata.

⁴ Area sampling: A method in which an area to be sampled is sub-divided into smaller blocks that are then selected at random and then again sub-sampled or fully surveyed. This method is typically used when a complete frame of reference is not available to be used.

During the construction of the area sampling frame, the entire land area of Rwanda was subdivided into 10 non-overlapping land-use strata defined by proportion of cultivated land or other land-use characteristics, as shown in Table 1.

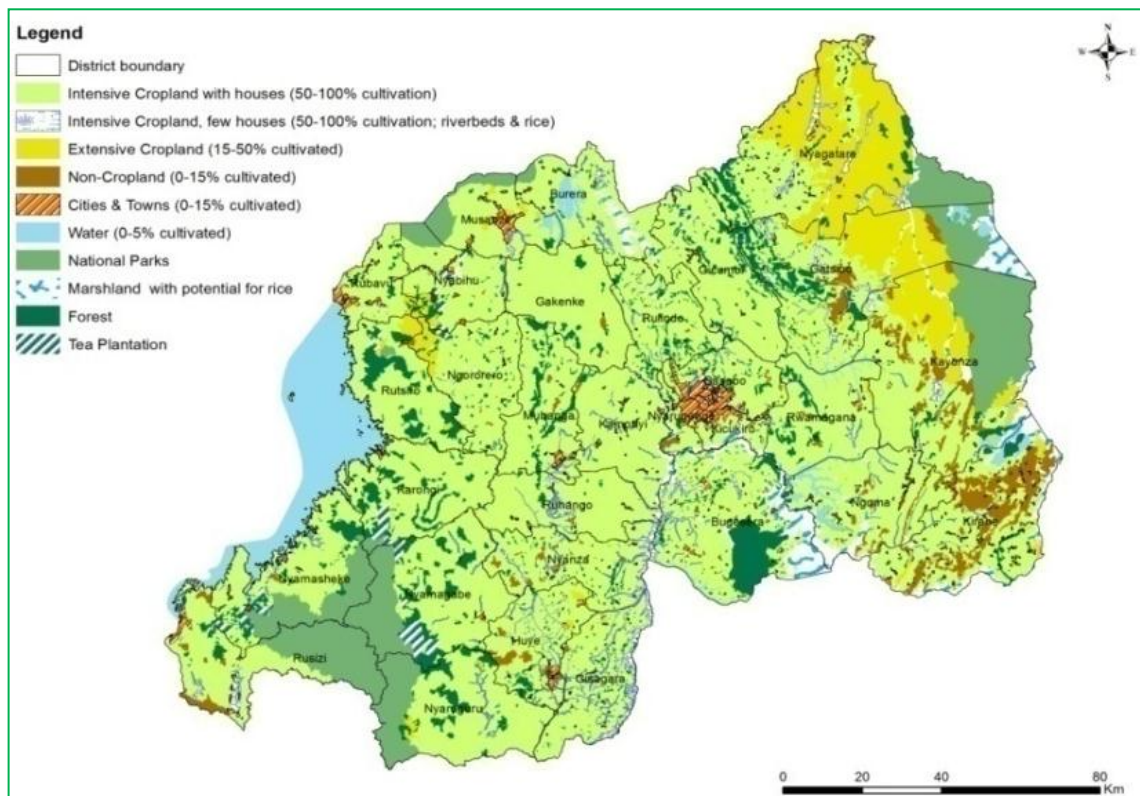
Table 1. Land Stratification

Strata	Description	Land Area (Km²)
1	Intensive Hillside Cropland (50-100% cultivated)	15,350
2	Intensive Marshland Cropland (50-100% cultivated)	551
3	Extensive Cropland (15-50% cultivated)	1,928
4	Non-Cropland (0-15% cultivated)	739
5	Cities & Towns (0-15% cultivated)	477
6	Water	1,302
7	National Parks (defined by political boundaries)	2,190
8	Marshland, riverbeds with potential for rice (0-15% cultivated)	792
9	Forest	1,722
10	Tea Plantation	232

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The strata land areas above are represented on the following map (Figure 2):

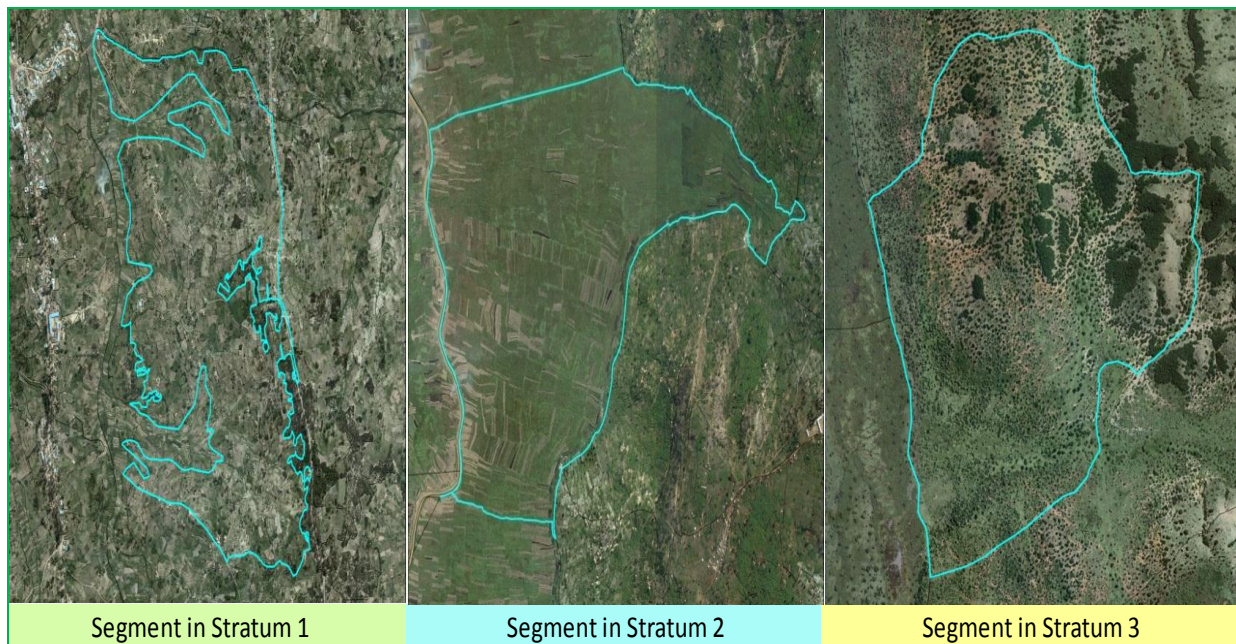
Figure 2: Land Stratification



Once the stratum is defined, its boundaries and segment boundaries within the stratum are physical features such as roads, paths, rivers, etc. which can be located on the ground. Among the 10 strata described in Table 1, only the first three strata were used for sampling in the Seasonal Agricultural Survey. The land areas were subdivided into sampling units so that the entire land area did not have to be divided unless it was selected into the sample.

The following Figure 3 with three maps shows imagery of segments for the first three strata subject for data collection of the 2013 Seasonal Agricultural Survey.

Figure 3: Example of Segments in Different Strata



2.3.2 List Frame Construction

The list of LSF (sometimes called Big Farmers⁵) included those farms with the largest area for a given crop or those with the largest number of livestock as reporting unit is the farm.

⁵ The person, institution or agricultural or livestock cooperatives, that satisfies the unit measurements defined by survey rules e.g. farmer growing crops on ten hectare of land or more or any farmer raising 70 or more cattle, 350 goats and sheep, 140 pigs, 1,500 chicken or managing 50 bee hives.

Chapter 3: Sampling and Data Collection Methodology

3.1 Sampling

3.1.1 Sampling Design and Selection of Segments in Seasons A and B

For Season A and B, the country was demarcated into 10 Strata (defined above). Only the first three strata were subjected to agricultural land sampling. In the 2013 Seasonal Agricultural Survey, the sample selection was a two stage sampling design as follows:

- a) In each Stratum, Primary Sampling Units (PSUs) were selected using Probability Proportional to Size (PPS) sampling where area was the size of measure; and
- b) For each selected PSU, one Second Stage Sampling (SSU) unit or in this case Segment was randomly selected.

If for example stratum one is divided into large PSUs, sampling units of 20-hectare will be assigned to each PSU. Then, if a PSU had 225 hectares, it would be divided into eleven (11) sampling units of 20-hectare each. And if this PSU is selected, one of its 11 sampling units will be selected as the segment for data collection.

3.1.2 Distribution of Sampled Primary Sampling Units

In the entire country, 327 PSUs were selected in the three main agricultural strata with probability proportionally to the size of each Stratum. Table 2 below shows the distribution of PSUs in each of the three Strata.

Table 2: Selected Segments by Strata for 2013 Seasons A and B

Strata	Area in SQ.Km	Number of Selected Segments
Stratum 1	15,350	295
Stratum 2	551	14
Stratum 3	1,928	18
Total	17,829	327

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Each selected PSU having a size of 200 - 400 Hectares was subdivided into Second Stage Sampling Units (SSUs) of around 20 Hectares each, following natural boundaries as explained earlier. Note that for Stratum 3 PSUs, a segment had a size of around 50 Hectares.

The map below illustrates the distribution of the sampled segments throughout the country.

Table 3: Land Stratification for Season C

Strata	Area (Sq. M.)	Total Number of PSU	Total Number of Segments	Number of Sampled Segments
Mashlands (including the Small marshlands)	221	582	3,709	120
Mountain	1,396	872	7,001	90
Small Mashlands	1,617	954	490	41
Total	3,234	2408	11,200	251

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3.1.5 Selection of Respondents in Phase I of Seasons A and B

In each agricultural season, data collection was undertaken in two phases. Phase I was mainly used to collect data on demographic and social characteristics of interviewees, area under crops, crops planted, rainfall, livestock, etc. Phase II was mainly devoted to the collection of data on yield and production of crops.

Large Scale Farmers

From the list of LSF in Phase I of Season A or Season B, all 562 LSF were enumerated. The LSF were engaged in either Crop farming activities only or Livestock farming activities only or both Crop and Livestock farming activities.

Agricultural Operators

Agricultural Operators are the Small Scale Farmers within the Segment. Every selected Segment was firstly screened using the Screening Form. That means enumerators accounted for every plot inside the segment. All Tracts⁶ were either Agricultural (cultivated land and fallow land) or Non-Agricultural Land (water, forests, roads, rocky and bare soils and buildings).

During Phase I, a complete enumeration of all farmers having agricultural land and operating within the selected Segment was undertaken by using a Farm Questionnaire.

⁶ Tract: is the sum of all lands owned by one Agricultural Operators in the segment. It can be made of one or more fields or plots adjacent to each other or located in different places across the segment.

3.1.6 Selection of Respondents in Phase II of Seasons A and B

Large Scale Farmers

Table 4: Sampling Large Scale Farmers: Season A Phase II

	Number of LSF	Number of Sampled LSF
Crop	68	17
Crop and Livestok	378	95
Total	446	112

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In Phase II, 25% of the Agricultural Operators undertaking either Crop farming activities only or both Crop and Livestock farming were selected and interviewed using a Farm Questionnaire for this phase as it is shown in Table 4 above.

Agricultural Operators

In Phase II, Season A, a sample of 1,799 Agricultural Operators was selected using the method of Probability Proportional to Size (PPS) in each district.

In Phase II, Season B, a sample of 1,941 Agricultural Operators was selected as follows:

- a) 1,545 Agricultural Operators were selected of which 1500 were from Strata 1 and 2 selected at district level, and 45 Agricultural Operators were from Stratum 3 selected at country level (they were mainly from Nyagatare, Gatsibo and Kayonza districts). Again the PPS method was used, area under crops being the measure of size in each district; also
- b) 500 Agricultural Operators were selected using area under crops in each district. Due to the previous selection explained in a) above only 396 were retained due to the removal of duplicates. This second sample gave weight to major crops and thus increased representativeness of crop yield in the districts.

3.1.7 Selection of Respondents in Season C

In Season C, a Screening Form was used to undertake a complete enumeration and account for every plot inside the segment on which land use was taking place.

From a list of Agricultural Operators having agricultural land and cultivating Season C Crops:

- a) A 10% sample of operators in Marshlands was selected for data collection that combined farm inputs, expenditure and production questions;
- b) A complete enumeration in Mountain sites was undertaken for data collection that combined farm inputs, expenditure and production questions.

3.1.8 Estimation Methodology

As the stratified random sampling techniques have been adopted for the survey, below are the formulas used to estimate various statistical parameters:

1 - Definition of the Notations and Parameters

Population weight: $W_i = \frac{N_i}{N}$

- N is the total population (Universe) being studied;
- For the stratum i : The population is N_i
- The average of variable Y is \bar{Y}_i in the stratum i ;
- variance estimate of Y is equal to $S_i^2 = \frac{1}{N_i - 1} \sum_{\alpha_i=1}^{N_i} (Y_{\alpha_i} - \bar{y}_i)^2$
- the sample size of the stratum k is equal to n_i with $(j_i = 1, \dots, n_i)$,
- $f_i = \frac{n_i}{N}$ is the corresponding sampling rate; $\bar{y}_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{j_i} y_{ji}$ is the mean of sample observations in each stratum,
- $S_i^2 = \frac{1}{n_i - 1} \sum_{j_i=1}^{n_i} (y_{ji} - \bar{y}_i)^2$ is the sample variance of the stratum i .

2 - Estimation of Mean

- The overall mean of the population is \bar{Y} and is written as follows:

$$\bar{Y} = \sum_k W_k \bar{Y}_k$$
 , where k is strata, numbered from 1 to k sub-populations
- The unbiased estimator of \bar{Y} is $\bar{Y}_{st} = \sum_{i=1}^k W_i \bar{y}_i$

3 - Estimation of Total

For stratum i the total of Y is estimated by $N_i \bar{y}_i$, the unbiased estimate of the total Y to

the universe is: $\hat{T}(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^k N_i \bar{y}_i$

The term used for data weighting of the sample is called “Extrapolation coefficient” or “Expansion factor”.

The estimators $\hat{T}(Y)$ and \hat{Y} are unbiased estimators of the total and the mean since they satisfy the following expressions: $E[\hat{T}(Y)] = T(Y)$ and $E[\hat{Y}] = \bar{Y}$

4 - Variance of the Mean Estimator and the Total Estimator Abbreviated as Var

$$\text{Var}[\bar{Y}_{st}] = \sum_{i=1}^k W_i^2 (1 - f_i) \frac{S_i^2}{n_i} \text{ and } \text{Var}[\hat{T}(Y)] = \sum_{i=1}^k N_i^2 (1 - f_i) \frac{S_i^2}{n_i}$$

5 - Estimation of Variances of these Estimators

$$\hat{\text{Var}}[\bar{Y}_{st}] = \sum_{i=1}^k W_i^2 (1 - f_i) \frac{S_i^2}{n_i} \text{ and } \hat{\text{Var}}[\hat{T}(Y)] = \sum_{i=1}^k N_i^2 (1 - f_i) \frac{S_i^2}{n_i}$$

Estimates of variance estimators of the mean and the total are used to calculate the estimators standard deviation, and thus to propose confidence intervals for estimators.

3.2 Data Collection and Processing

3.2.1 Contents of Data Collection Tools

Screening Questionnaire

A Screening Questionnaire was used to collect information that enabled identification of an Agricultural Operator or Large Scale Farmer and his or her land use. The purpose of the screening form was to account for every square meter of land inside the Segment or Large Scale Farm.

If segment 12_22_09 had 20 hectares, then approximately 20 hectares was accounted on the screening form. This was to include not only all farm lands but also all non-agricultural land such as buildings, forest, etc. as shown and delineated on the segment or Large Scale Farm map.

Figure 5: An Example of a Screened and Digitalized Segment Map



The photograph (Figure 5) is an example of a screened and digitized segment map. In addition to identification information (i.e. Province, District, Stratum, Segment, ...), Tract identification information was collected. This included information on Tract letter, Tract number, Name and address of Agricultural Operator, Plot number, Agricultural and Fallow land Pasture and Non- agricultural land.

Phase I Farm Questionnaire

For each agricultural season, Phase I of the survey covered the collection of data on characteristics of Agricultural Operators, crop identification and area, inputs (seeds, fertilizers, labor, ...) and livestock information for Agricultural Operators (that lived inside the segment) and large scale farmers.

Phase 2 Farm questionnaire

For each agricultural season, Phase 2 of the survey covered the collection of data on crop production and use of production. Quantities harvested for seasonal and perennial crops were also collected.

3.2.2 Data Collection and Supervision

Teams

The survey used 120 Enumerators in 40 field teams and 43 Team leaders giving a ratio of one Team leader to 3 Enumerators.

All field work staff in 2013 SAS had a degree in Agronomy Science and were trained before starting data collection.

Higher level supervision staff from NISR and MINAGRI visited the field teams during each phase of data collection to ensure quality control.

Field Work Materials

Each Enumerator and Team leader had adequate materials composed of Enumerator's manual, Screening questionnaire, Farm questionnaires, Measuring tapes, Ruler, Pens, Pencils, Calculator, Weighing scales, Global Positioning System (GPS), Personal Digital Assistant (PDA), Maps, Rain coats, Boots, Umbrella, First aid equipment, etc. Each team was assigned a vehicle.

Field Procedures

Before proceeding to the field, Enumerators and their Team leaders checked that they had all necessary materials required for their field work. All staff was required to arrive early in the field (Segment or LSF).

Upon arrival in the field, the enumerators and their Team Leaders took the related geographical coordinate that were used by supervisors to know the real starting time of the field work.

The next step was the Segment delineation or LSF and to take geographical coordinates of the identified landmarks to allow supervisors to check if the Segment was delineated appropriately and to ensure the collected data was relating to the plots inside the Segment or LSF.

Screening Activity of the Segment

After delineation of the segment, enumerators used the segment map to mark all the tracts and related plots. They identified the land use of each plot and indicated information on the Screening Questionnaire. Before leaving the Segment, under the supervision of the team leader, enumerators checked if each tract and its plots were well marked on the map and indicated on the Screening Questionnaire.

Both the marked map and completed Screening Questionnaire for each segment or LSF were sent to the Geographic Information System (GIS) unit at NISR for digitalization and plot area calculations.

Farm Interview and Data Quality Assurance

Two types of questionnaires were used during the two phases of data collection covering season A and season B. Digitalized map for each Segment or LSF were used by Enumerators to identify each tract (and its plots); and a Farm questionnaire was used to conduct an interview with each selected Agricultural Operator or LSF during Phase I and Phase II (mainly for area measurement, land use and inputs estimation in Phase I or production during Phase II).

Figure 6: Illustration of Enumerators on the field



Figure 6 is an illustration of an enumerator interviewing an Agricultural Operator in Nyagatare District and also illustrates enumerators weighting maize production.

Figure 7: Use of Scales and Standard Local Containers



Figure 7 illustrates the precise weighting of crop production by type. In this picture, “Akabase –left- and Akadobo –right-” were used to have a precise weight for each crop type production.

For season C, after screening, an interview was conducted for each selected tract/Agricultural Operator using one consolidated Farm questionnaire.

It is important to mention that all Farm questionnaires were subjected to two/three rounds of data quality checking. The first round was conducted by the enumerator and the second round was conducted by the team leader to check if questionnaires had been well completed by enumerators. And in most cases, questionnaires completed by one enumerator were peer-reviewed by another enumerator before being checked by the Team leader.

3.3 Data Processing and Analysis

Data entry of the completed and checked questionnaires was undertaken at NISR offices by trained 20 staff members using CPro software. To ensure appropriate matching of data in questionnaires and plot area measurements from the GIS unit, a LOOKUP file was integrated in the CPro data entry program to confirm the identification of each Agricultural Operator/LSF before starting data entry. Thereafter, data was entered in computers, edited and summarized in tables.

Chapter 4: 2013 Season A Survey Results

4.1 Demographic and Social Characteristics of Agricultural Operators

Characteristics of Agricultural Operators describe their number by type (individual or cooperative), gender, age, education level, residency in segments, farming activities and cooperative membership.

4.1.1 Number of Agricultural Operators by type

The survey results showed that most of the Agricultural Operators (99.4%) were individual farmers and about 0.6 % operators only were members of cooperatives. The number and percentages of Agricultural Operators and Large Scale Farmers (LSF) by Province in 2013 Season A is given in Table 5 below.

The distribution of Agricultural Operators (in segments) was highest in the Southern Province (29.7%), followed by Western province with 24.6 percent.

Table 5: Agricultural Operators and Large Scale Farmers by Province

Province	Agricultural Operators						Number of LSF	
	Individual		Cooperative		Total		Number	%
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%		
Kigali City	549	98.9	6	1.1	555	3.6	72	12.8
Southern	4556	99.5	24	0.5	4580	29.6	43	7.7
Western	3786	99.6	16	0.4	3802	24.6	31	5.5
Northern	2841	99.0	29	1.0	2870	18.7	67	11.9
Eastern	3618	99.6	16	0.4	3634	23.5	349	62.1
Total	15350	99.4	91	0.6	15441	100	562	100

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In 2013 Season A, 562 Large Scale Farmers were listed and enumerated in Rwanda. The Eastern Province was represented by 62 % of the LSF followed by 13 % in Kigali City, 12 % in Northern Province, 8 % in Southern Province and 6 % in Western Province.

The Distribution of Agricultural Operators in Segments by Province is given in Figure 8 while the distribution of LSF by Province is given in Figure 9.

Figure 8: Distribution of Agricultural Operators by Province

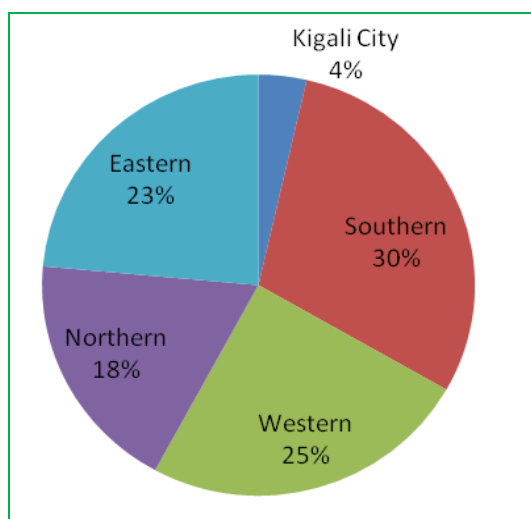
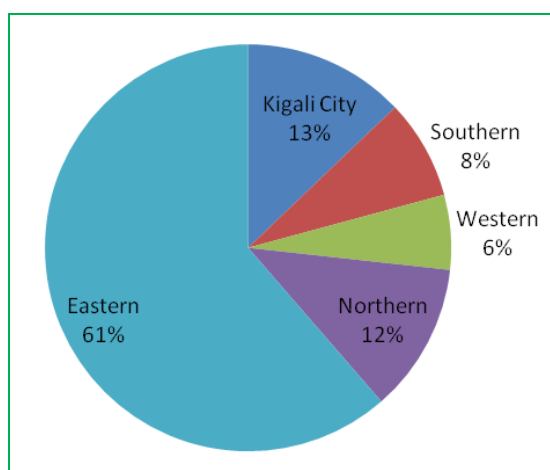


Figure 9: Distribution of Large Scale Farmers by Province



Among the 562 LSF listed in Rwanda in Season A 2013, 62.3 % stated that they were members of cooperatives while 37.7 % stated that they were not members of cooperatives. The cooperative membership of LSF is given in Table 6.

Table 6: Cooperative Membership of LSF

Province	Agricultural Operators			Large Scale Farmers		
	Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Kigali City	21.3	78.7	100	20.8	79.2	100
Southern	23.7	76.3	100	74.4	25.6	100
Western	17.8	82.2	100	80.6	19.4	100
Northern	14.9	85.1	100	53.7	46.3	100
Eastern	24.2	75.8	100	69.3	30.7	100
Rwanda	20.6	79.4	100	62.3	37.7	100

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The cooperative membership of Agricultural Operators in Eastern Province had a highest proportion (24.2%) followed by the Southern Province (23.7%). For the LFS, the

Western Province had a highest proportion (80.6%) followed by Southern Province (74.4%), Eastern Province (69.3%), Northern Province (53.7%) with Kigali City (20.8%) having the lowest cooperative membership.

4.1.2 Number of Agricultural Operators by Gender

In 2013 Season A, the percentage distribution of Agricultural Operators in Rwanda by gender was 67.6% male and 32.4% female. The percentage distribution of Agricultural Operators in Rwanda by Gender is shown in Table 7.

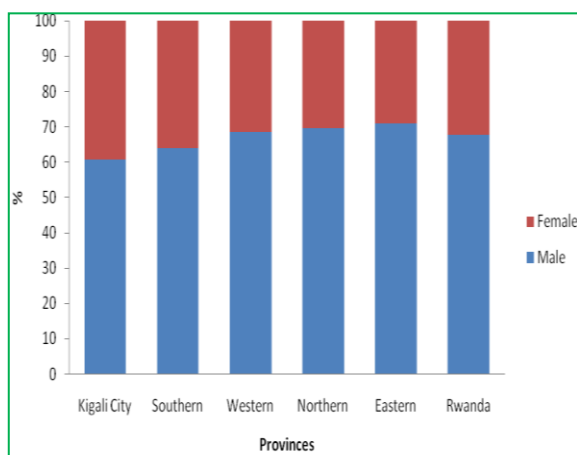
Table 7: Percentage of Agricultural Operators by Gender and Province

	Agricultural Operators		
	Male	Female	Total
Kigali City	60.7	39.3	100
Southern	64	36	100
Western	68.4	31.6	100
Northern	69.7	30.3	100
Eastern	70.9	29.1	100
Rwanda	67.6	32.4	100

2013 Seasonal Agricultural Survey - Season A

The comparison of gender distribution by Province showed that the largest number of male Agricultural Operators (70.9%) was in the Eastern Province while the smallest number of male Agricultural Operators (60.7%) was in Kigali City. The largest number of female Agricultural Operators (39.3%) was in Kigali City while the smallest number of female Agricultural Operators (29.1%) was in Eastern Province. The distribution of Agricultural Operators by gender and Province is shown in Figure 10.

Figure 10: % Distribution of Agricultural Operators by Gender and Province



4.1.3 Age distribution of Agricultural Operators

The majority (24.5%) of Agricultural Operators in Rwanda were in the age group 25-34 (see Table 8). This is followed by 23.8 % of Agricultural Operators in age-group 55 & above, 23.0 % of Agricultural Operators were in age-group 35-44 while 21.9 % were in age-group 45-54.

Table 8: Age Distribution of Agricultural Operators

	Agricultural Operators				
	14-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and Above
Kigali City	5.6	27.7	28.1	18.7	18.7
Southern	5.1	22.4	22.4	23.6	26.0
Western	5.8	23.5	23.6	22.8	23.9
Northern	6.4	24.1	22.2	21.8	24.5
Eastern	7.9	28.2	23.1	19.3	21.1
Rwanda	6.2	24.5	23.0	21.9	23.8

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The age group percentage distribution of Agricultural Operators by Province varied more in the age group 55 & Above with Southern Province (26.0%) being highest and Kigali City (18.7%) being lowest. The least variation was in the age group 14-24 with the Eastern

Province being the highest (7.9%) and Southern Province (5.1%) being the lowest.

The percentage distribution of male Agricultural Operators in Rwanda was high in the age-group 25-34 (28.6%) followed by 24.1 % of male Agricultural Operators in age-group 35-44, 20.7 % of male Agricultural Operators in age-group 45-54 and 19.9 % in age-group 55 & Above (See Table 9).

Table 9: Age Distribution of Male Agricultural Operators

	Agricultural Operators				
	14-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and Above
Kigali City	7.2	31.8	27.0	15.9	18.0
Southern	5.5	27.1	23.4	22.8	21.2
Western	6.1	27.3	24.5	21.9	20.1
Northern	6.5	27.7	24.0	20.8	20.9
Eastern	8.3	31.9	24.1	17.8	17.9
Rwanda	6.6	28.6	24.1	20.7	19.9

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The age group distribution of male Agricultural Operators by Province varied more in the age group 14-24 with Eastern Province (8.3%) being highest and Southern Province (5.1%) being lowest. The least variation was in the age group 55 & Above with the Southern Province being the highest

(21.2%) and Eastern Province (17.9%) being the lowest.

The distribution of female Agricultural Operators in Rwanda was high in the age-group 55 and above (32.2%) followed by 24.6 % of female Agricultural Operators in age-group 45-54, 21.2 % of female Agricultural Operators in age-group 35-44, 16.5 % in age-group 25-34 and 5.5 % in age group 14-24 (see Table 10).

Table 10: Age Distribution of Female Agricultural Operators

	Agricultural Operators				
	14-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 & Above
Kigali City	3.2	22.2	30.6	23.6	20.4
Southern	4.5	14.4	21.1	25.3	34.8
Western	5.2	15.5	21.9	25	32.5
Northern	6.4	16.5	18.7	24.9	33.6
Eastern	6.9	19.6	21	23.1	29.4
Rwanda	5.5	16.5	21.2	24.6	32.2

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The age group distribution of female Agricultural Operators by Province varied more in the age group 55 & Above with Southern Province (34.8%) being highest and Kigali City (20.4%) being lowest. The least variation was in the age group 45-54 with the Southern Province being the

highest (25.3%) and Eastern Province (23.1%) being the lowest.

4.1.4 Education Level of Agricultural Operators

The Survey results of the Season A 2013 showed that in Rwanda, 63.5 % of Agricultural Operators had completed primary level education, 29.4 % had no education, 6.1 % attained secondary level education and only 1 % had completed tertiary level education (see Table 11 and Figure 11).

Table 11: Education Level of Agricultural Operators by Province (%)

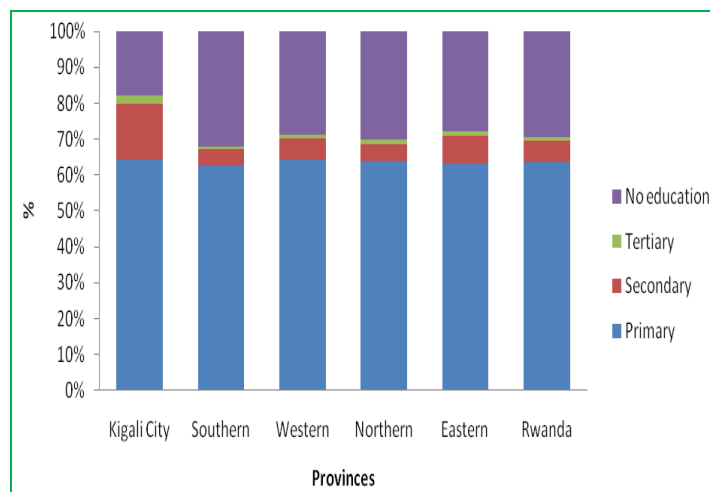
	Agricultural Operators					Total
	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary	No education		
Kigali City	64.3	15.5	2.4	17.9	100	
Southern	62.5	4.8	0.5	32.2	100	
Western	64.3	6.1	1.0	28.6	100	
Northern	63.8	4.8	1.1	30.2	100	
Eastern	63.4	7.5	1.3	27.8	100	
Rwanda	63.5	6.1	1.0	29.4	100	

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For those Agricultural Operators that had completed primary level education their distribution by province was reasonably uniform with Kigali City and Western Province having a slightly higher

percentage (64.3%). For those Agricultural Operators that had no education, the Southern province had the highest percentage (32.2%) while Kigali City had the lowest percentage (17.9%) of Agricultural Operators. For those that had completed secondary education, Kigali City (15.5%) had the highest percentage while Northern and Southern Provinces each had the lowest 4.8 %. For those that had completed Tertiary education Kigali City had the highest (2.4%) of Agricultural Operators while Southern Province had the lowest 0.5 % of Agricultural Operators.

Figure 11: Education level of Agricultural Operators by Province



In Rwanda, 69.2 % of male Agricultural Operators had completed primary level education, 22.4 % had no education, 7.1 % attained secondary level education and only 1.3 % had completed tertiary level education (see Table 12). In comparing the education level of male Agricultural Operators between Provinces, Western Province had the highest (70.6%) male Agricultural Operators with primary education. Kigali City had the lowest (12.6%) male Agricultural Operators with no education.

Table 12: Education level of Male Agricultural Operators (%)

	Agricultural Operators				Total
	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary	No educati	
Kigali City	65.5	19.5	2.4	12.6	100
Southern	68.7	5.0	0.8	25.5	100
Western	70.6	7.1	1.4	20.9	100
Northern	70.5	5.9	1.4	22.1	100
Eastern	67.6	8.7	1.7	22.0	100
Rwanda	69.2	7.1	1.3	22.4	100

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For those Agricultural Operators that had secondary education, Kigali City had the highest (19.5%) while for Tertiary education Kigali City had the highest (2.4%). level education.

In Rwanda, 51.6 % of female Agricultural Operators had completed primary level education, 43.9 % had no education, 4.1 % completed secondary level education and only 0.3 % had completed tertiary

Table 13: Education Level of Female Agricultural Operators (%)

	Agricultural Operator				Total
	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary	No education	
Kigali City	62.5	9.3	2.3	25.9	100
Southern	51.5	4.3	0.2	44.1	100
Western	50.8	3.8	0.1	45.3	100
Northern	48.5	2.3	0.5	48.7	100
Eastern	53	4.6	0.4	41.9	100
Rwanda	51.6	4.1	0.3	43.9	100

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Kigali City had the highest female Agricultural Operators with primary and secondary education level (62.5% and 9.3% respectively) and the lowest percentage of female agriculture operators with no education (25.9%).

4.1.5 Agricultural Operators Activities

The distribution of Agricultural Operators by their type of farming activities is shown in Table 14. In Rwanda a large number of Agricultural Operators were mainly involved in Crop and livestock farming (66.6%) while 32.8% undertook Crop farming activities only and less than 1 % undertook Livestock farming activities only. For those undertaking both Crop and Livestock farming activities, the largest number were in the Northern Province (71.6%) while the smallest number was in Kigali City (26.3%).

Table 14: Agricultural Operators Activities (%)

	Agricultural Opera			Total
	Cropping	Livestock	Cropping & I	
Kigali City	69.7	4.0	26.3	100
Southern	27.6	0.4	72.0	100
Western	36.3	0.5	63.2	100
Northern	27.8	0.6	71.6	100
Eastern	33.7	0.8	65.4	100
Rwanda	32.8	0.7	66.6	100

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For those Agricultural Operators undertaking Crop farming activities only, Kigali City had the highest percentage of the Agricultural Operators (69.7%), followed by Western Province (36.3%), Eastern Province (33.7%) and Southern Province (27.6%).

4.1.6 Residency of Agricultural Operators in Segments

An agricultural operator is considered to be resident in a segment if he/she lives in the segment and undertakes agricultural activities in the same segment. An agricultural operator is considered nonresident of a segment if his/her agricultural activities are undertaken in the segment but lives outside the segment. Results of the survey (see Table 15) showed that in Rwanda the majority of Agricultural Operators (72.2%) were nonresident while 27.8 % were residents.

Table 15: Agricultural Operators by Residency (%)

	Agricultural Operators		
	Resident	Non resident	Total
Kigali City	36.4	63.6	100
Southern	28.1	71.9	100
Western	25.4	74.6	100
Northern	26.8	73.2	100
Eastern	29.5	70.5	100
Rwanda	27.8	72.2	100

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Kigali City had the lowest percentage of non resident operators (63.6%) and the biggest percentage of resident operators (36.4%), while the rest of the Provinces had around 70% of non residents. On the residents, other provinces had between 25% and 30.5% of resident Agricultural Operators.

4.2 Date of Sowing, Production Expectation Date and Expected Date of Harvest

The starting dates of sowing by Agricultural Operators in Segments and LSF for each main crop is summarized in the Tables 16 and 17. On starting date of sowing by Agricultural Operators, sowing for some crops started before September 2012.

Table 16: Agricultural Operators Indicating the Sowing Date in Segments by Crop (%)

Crop name	Before	01-15	16-30	After	N/A	Total
	September 2012	September 2012	September 2012	September 2012		
Maize	9.1	24.2	23.0	42.0	1.4	100
Paddy rice	61.7	12.4	6.9	15.9	2.1	100
Sorghum	27.0	37.4	21.0	13.0	1.4	100
Wheat	6.1	24.3	12.1	52.8	4.6	100
Other cereals	6.4	21.1	14.3	56.0	2.2	100
Bush beans	1.6	16.4	21.0	60.5	0.3	100
Climbing beans	4.6	35.3	29.1	30.5	0.3	100
Peas	5.6	27.5	23.7	42.3	0.6	100
Other legumes & pulses	7.6	16.6	9.3	48.5	4.3	100
Cassava	11.6	8.1	7.8	21.9	49.9	100
Irish potatoes	13.8	17.8	17.9	48.7	1.4	100
Sweet potatoes	31.6	6.3	4.7	49.8	7.2	100
Yams & Taro	20.9	11.3	11.3	40.6	15.7	100
Cooking Bananas	3.0	1.9	1.3	2.1	91.0	100
Banana Fruit	2.5	1.8	0.6	2.8	91.2	100
Banana for beer	1.6	1.6	0.5	1.2	94.2	100
Soya beans	2.4	16.3	18.2	62.3	0.6	100
Ground nuts	0.8	11.7	22.5	64.0	1.0	100

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For the majority of crops, sowing of crops by Agricultural Operators started in September 2012. For Climbing beans, Peas, Sorghum and maize, the majority of Agricultural Operators indicated September as the sowing date while for Paddy rice, the date indicated by the majority of Agricultural Operators was before September 2012. Other crops: Groundnut, Soya beans, Other Legumes, Bush beans and Wheat were sown after September 2012.

Sowing dates for crops such as Banana fruit, Cooking Banana, Cassava were not applicable for the majority of Agricultural Operators. This may due to the fact that these crops may have been sown in the previous seasons.

Table 17: Large Scale Farmers Indicating Sowing Date for Crops (%)

Name of crop	Before	01-15	16-30	After	N/A	Total
	September	September	September	September		
	2012	2012	2012	2012		
Maize	5.7	29.1	27.3	37.4	0.5	100
Paddy rice	82.6	4.4	4.4		8.7	100
Sorghum	16.9	41.6	23.6	18		100
Wheat	5.9	11.8	29.4	47.1	5.9	100
Other cereals				100		100
Bush beans	1.3	17.6	30.9	49.8	0.4	100
Climbing beans	1.3	32.9	34.2	30.3	1.3	100
Peas	8.3	16.7	16.7	58.3		100
Other legumes & cereals		20		40	40	100
Cassava	8.3	7.6	11.1	21.5	51.4	100
Irish potato	8.9	21.4	16.1	51.8	1.8	100
Sweet potato	18.9	8.1	10.8	48.6	13.5	100
Yams & Taro				83.3	16.7	100
Cooking Banana	2.7	1.8	2.3	7.7	85.5	100
Banana fruit	3.4	1.7	6.9	86.2	1.7	100
Banana for beer	2.3	2.3			95.3	100
Soya bean		18.2	18.2	63.6		100
Groundnut	8	12	28	48	4	100

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The majority of LFS (82.6%) indicated that they sowed rice before September 2012 (see Table 17). The majority of main crops were sown in September with the exception of Soya beans, Banana fruit, Yams and Taro and Peas which were sown by the majority of LSF after September 2012.

On production expectations date of 28 February 2013, the majority of Agricultural Operators had high expectation to have the crop production by end of February 2013 for most crops with the exception of the root crops such as Yams & Taro (13%) and Sweet potatoes (42.2%). The expectation of Cassava production by that date was rated low (14.7%) by the majority of Agricultural Operators (see Table 18 below). A similar situation was reported by LSF on expected production by 28 February 2013.

Table 18: Agricultural Operators Expecting Production by 28th February 2013 (%)

Name of Crop	Yes	No	N/A	Total
Maize	71.3	27.7	0.4	100
Paddy rice	92.7	5.5	1.5	100
Sorghum	79.6	19.4	0.9	100
Wheat	53.6	43.1	0.6	100
Other cereals	56.6	36.8	4.4	100
Bush beans	98.5	0.7	0.4	100
Climbing beans	96.9	2.5	0.1	100
Peas	95.3	4.0	0.1	100
Other legumes & pulses	85.3	13.3		100
Cassava	14.6	8.9	75.8	100
Irish potatoes	90.0	9.4	0.2	100
Sweet potatoes	42.0	53.2	4.2	100
Yams & Taro	12.8	48.5	37.5	100
Cooking Banana	47.6	3.3	48.1	100
Banana Fruit	41.1	5.3	52.7	100
Banana for beer	51.1	4.9	42.7	100
Soya beans	89.2	9.9	0.3	100
Ground nuts	91.8	7.0	1.0	100

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A large number of Agricultural Operators indicated that production of some crops was not applicable to them particularly Cassava (75.8%), Banana fruit (52.7%), Cooking Banana (47.6%), Banana for beer (51.1%) Yams and Taro (37.5%). This may have been mainly due to the fact that those perennial crops were cultivated during this season (see Table 18).

Table 21: Expected Date of Crop Harvest as Reported by Large Scale Farmers (%)

Name of Crop	Before 01/12/12	01 to 31/12/12	1 to 31/01/13	1 to 28/02/13	After 28/02/13	N/A	Total
Maize	0.8	3.6	13.1	63.9	17.0	1.5	100
Paddy rice	0.0	52.2	30.4	8.7	4.3	4.3	100
Sorghum	0.0	1.1	19.1	60.7	18.0	1.1	100
Wheat	0.0	5.9	5.9	29.4	52.9	5.9	100
Other cereals	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	100
Bush beans	0.9	21.9	67.0	9.9	0.0	0.4	100
Climbing beans	0.0	2.6	51.3	38.2	6.6	1.3	100
Peas	0.0	8.3	66.7	16.7	8.3	0.0	100
Cassava	0.0	16.7	7.6	7.6	4.2	63.9	100
Irish potatoes	3.6	12.5	41.1	32.1	8.0	2.7	100
Sweet potatoes	2.7	16.2	10.8	8.1	59.5	2.7	100
Cooking Bananas	6.3	44.3	7.2	0.9	1.8	39.4	100
Banana Fruit	5.2	34.5	13.8	1.7	1.7	43.1	100
Banana for beer	11.6	48.8	9.3	0.0	0.0	30.2	100
Soya beans	0.0	3.0	24.2	57.6	15.2	0.0	100
Ground nuts	0.0	4.0	52.0	36.0	4.0	4.0	100

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On the expected date of harvest reported by LSF (see Table 21), the majority of LFS expected harvest of their crops to take place in December 2012 or January 2013 with the exception of the other cereals and Sweet potatoes whose harvests was expected to be after February 2013 by 100.0 %, and 59.5 % of Agricultural Operators respectively.

4.3 Farm Characteristics (Area, Yield and Production)

4.3.1 Crop Areas

In Rwanda, in terms of land area under crops the main crops grown in Season A 2013 were Beans (25.9%), Banana (21.3%), Cassava (13.7%) and Maize (11.3%) (see Table 22). Sweet potatoes and Irish potatoes both accounted for around 10.1 % of the agricultural land: Sweet potatoes (6.8%) and Iris potatoes (3.3%) (See also Figure 12). In terms of land area under crops, the following were the main groups of crops: Pulses (30.9%), Tubers and Roots (24.9%), Bananas (21.3%) and Cereals (15.5%) while Fruits and Vegetables and other crops accounted for less than 10 % of the total share of agricultural land (see Figure 13).

Figure 12: Share of Agriculture Land by Crops

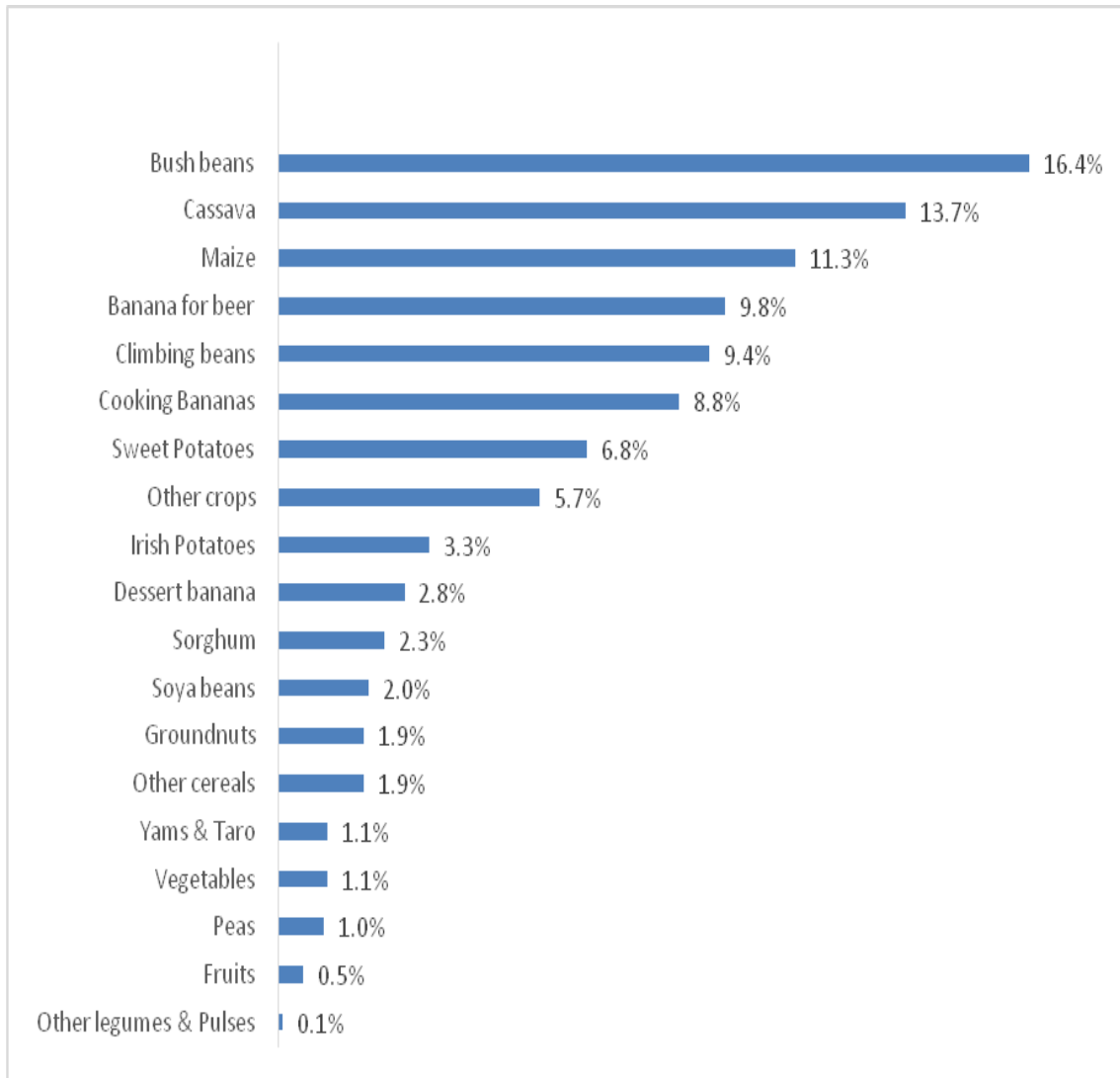


Figure 13: Share of Agriculture Land by Group of Crops

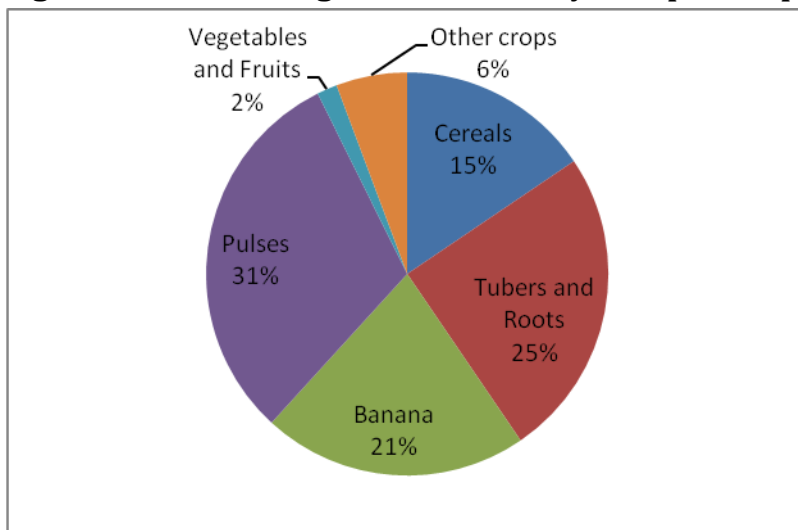
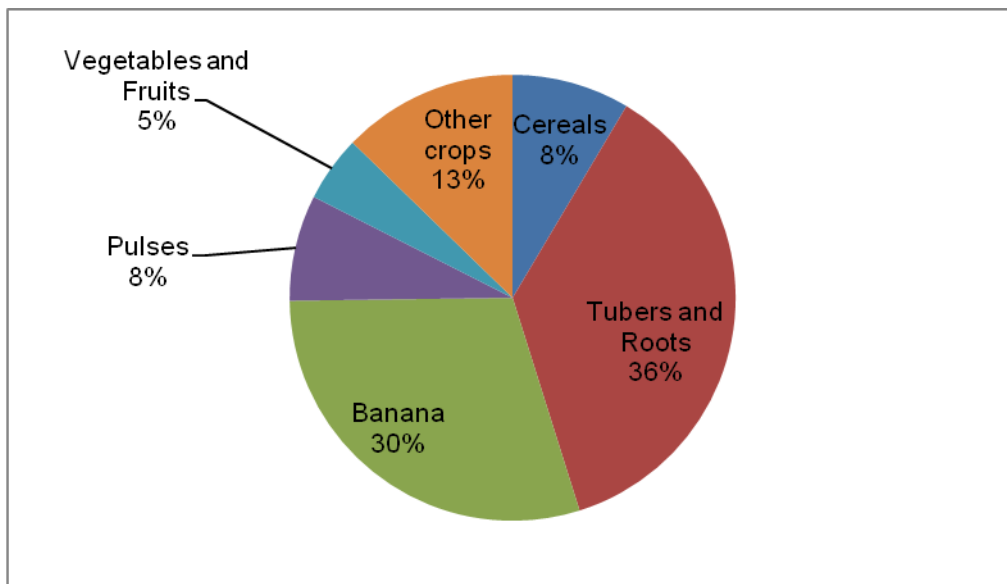


Figure 14: Share of Agricultural Production by Group of Crops



4.4 Agricultural Practices

4.4.1 Pure and Mixed Cropping

The survey results showed that the percentage share of agricultural land used by Agricultural Operators to grow crops in pure stand and mixed stand in Rwanda was 36.2 % and 63.8 % respectively (see Table 28). For LSF the share between pure stand and mixed stand was 84.2 % and 15.8 % respectively.

Table 28: Share of Pure and Mixed Crop Agricultural Land (%)

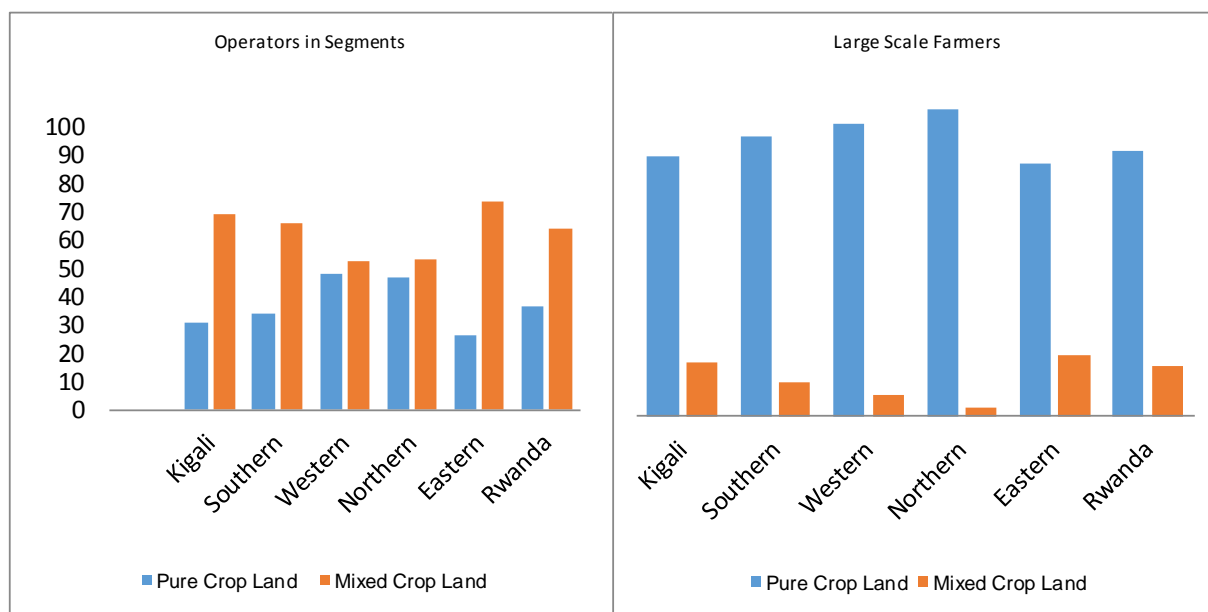
Province	Agricultural Operators			Large Scale Farmers		
	Pure Crop Land	Mixed Crop Land	Total	Pure Crop Land	Mixed Crop Land	Total
Kigali City	30.7	69.3	100	82.9	17.1	100
Southern	34.2	65.8	100	89.0	11.0	100
Western	47.8	52.2	100	93.0	7.0	100
Northern	46.7	53.3	100	97.4	2.6	100
Eastern	26.4	73.6	100	80.4	19.6	100
Rwanda	36.2	63.8	100	84.2	15.8	100

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In general Agricultural Operators used most of their agricultural land to cultivate mixed crops while LSF devoted most of their agricultural land to cultivate crops in pure stand.

Figure 15 shows the share of pure and mixed cropping agricultural land for both Agricultural Operators and Large Scale Farmers.

Figure 15: Share Pure and Mixed Crop Agricultural Land



On the land used by Agricultural Operators and LSF in pure or mixed stand, Table 29 clearly shows that on average 98.4 % of all pure crop land was used by Agricultural Operators while only 1.6 % was used by LSF.

The same table also shows that on average 99.8 % of the mixed crop land in Rwanda during 2013 agricultural season A was used by Agricultural Operators while only 0.2 % was used by LSF.

Table 29: Share of Pure and Mixed Crop Agricultural Land (%)

Province	Pure Crop Agricultural Land			Mixed Crop Agricultural Land		
	Agricultural Operators	Large scale farmers	Total	Agricultural Operators	Large scale farmers	Total
Kigali City	91.4	8.6	100	99.2	0.8	100
Southern	98.9	1.1	100	99.9	0.1	100
Western	99.9	0.1	100	100.0	0.0	100
Northern	98.9	1.1	100	100.0	0.0	100
Eastern	96.4	3.6	100	99.7	0.3	100
Rwanda	98.4	1.6	100	99.8	0.2	100

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Table 30 shows the use of agricultural land for growing main crops in pure stand in the country. Kigali City used only 2.0 % of total land for pure stand while the other Provinces used on average between 20-27 % of the total agricultural land to cultivate crops in pure stand.

Table 30: Pure Crop Agricultural Land (Ha) in Segments by Type of Crop (%)

Province	Maize	Sorghum	Bush beans	Climbing beans	Cassava	Irish potatoes	Sweet potatoes	Banana	Others	Total	Percent
Kigali City	2.3	-	9.0	0.9	21.5	1.4	7.6	13.5	43.8	100	2.0
Southern	3.1	0.5	9.4	7.1	32.2	1.7	11.3	11.9	22.8	100	26.0
Western	14.5	0.2	1.6	12.4	11.8	8.3	10.1	11.4	29.6	100	27.1
Northern	18.0	0.4	3.6	27.5	4.3	6.7	18.7	5.2	15.6	100	20.1
Eastern	16.0	4.7	11.3	2.4	14.3	1.7	10.0	20.0	19.6	100	24.6
Rwanda	12.3	1.4	6.6	11.3	16.4	4.5	12.1	12.5	22.8	100	100

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4.4.2 Use of Organic Fertilizer

In segments, 55.3 % of all Agricultural Operators in Rwanda reported that they already used fertilizer while 44.7 % did not use fertilizer (see Table 31). The total number of Agricultural Operators who already used organic fertilizers in the Provinces was compared to the total number of Agricultural Operators in the country. Agricultural Operators in the Northern Province (76.4%) were the most user of organic fertilizer followed by Southern Province (56.9%), Western Province (56.9%), Kigali City (41.0%) and Eastern Province (38.8%) (see Figure 16).

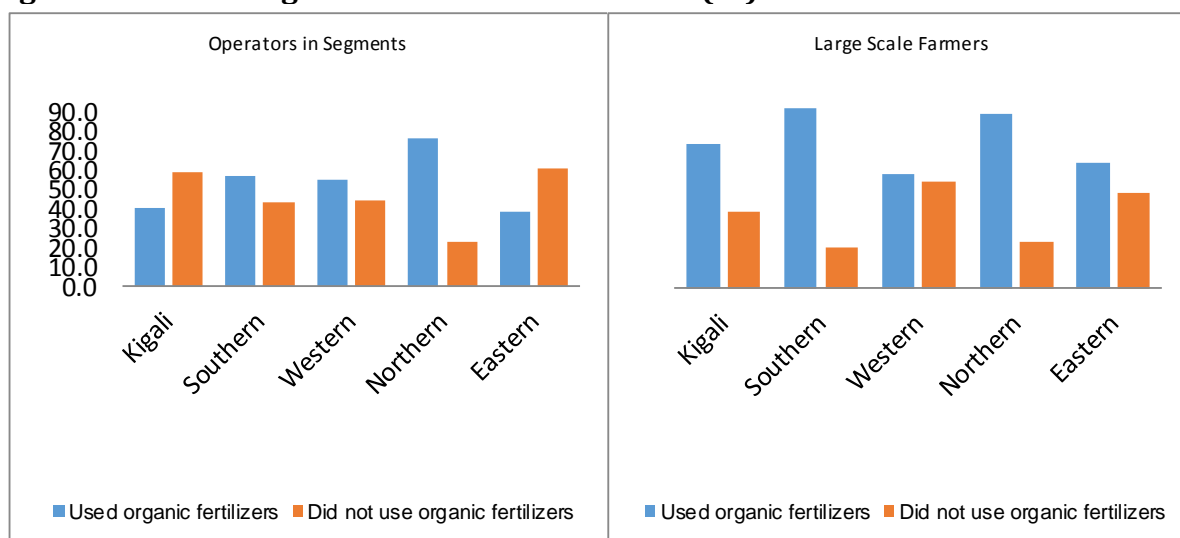
Table 31: Users of Organic Fertilizers (%)

Province	Agricultural Operator: Large Scale Farmers	
	Used organic fertilizers	Did not use organic fertilizers
Kigali City	41.0	59.0
Southern	56.9	43.1
Western	55.4	44.6
Northern	76.4	23.6
Eastern	38.9	61.1
Rwanda	55.3	44.7

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For Large Scale Farmers, 62.3 % of LSF already used fertilizers and 37.7 had not already used fertilizer. The Southern Province was the highest (81.4%) in the use of organic fertilizer followed by Northern Province (79.1%), Kigali City (65.3%), Eastern Province (57.0%) and Western Province (55.4%) (see Figure 16).

Figure 16: Use of Organic Fertilizer in Provinces (%)



4.4.3 Use of Inorganic Fertilizer by Agricultural Operators and Large Scale Farmers

The survey results showed that 19.9 % of Agricultural Operators used inorganic fertilizers while 44.5 % of LSF used inorganic fertilizers during Season A 2013 (see Table 32 and Figure 17). This shows that a larger proportion of LSF used inorganic fertilizer than Agricultural Operators during this agricultural season.

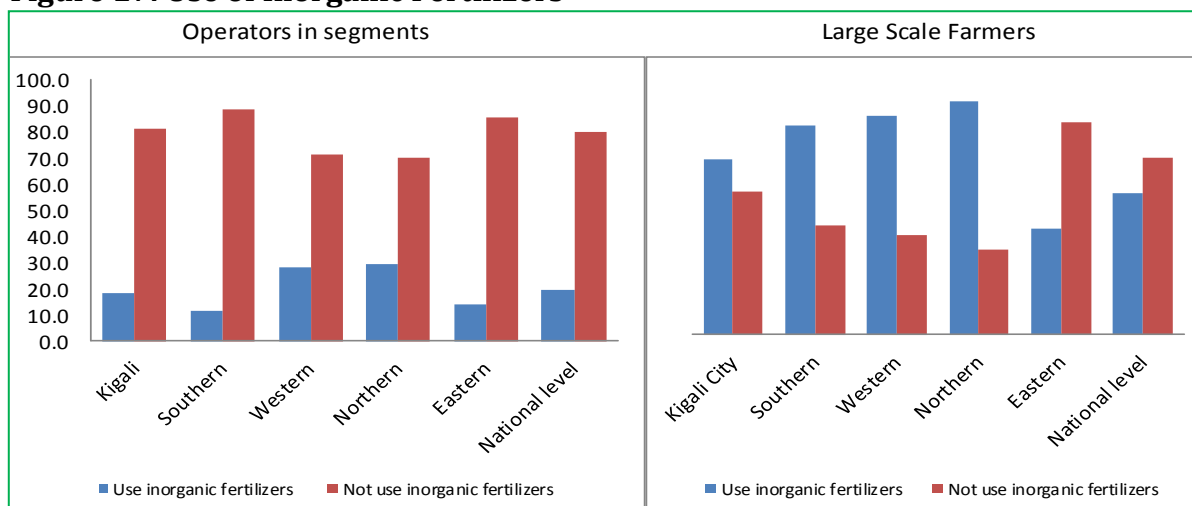
Table 32: Use of Inorganic Fertilizer

	Agricultural Operators	Large Scale Farmers
	Used inorganic fertilizers	Used inorganic fertilizers
Kigali City	18.4	55.3
Southern	11.4	65.7
Western	28.5	68.8
Northern	29.5	73.1
Eastern	14.2	33.2
Rwanda	19.9	44.5

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Agricultural Operators in the Northern Province were the biggest users of inorganic fertilizers (29.5%) followed by the Western Province (28.5%). The Southern Province (11.4%) had the smallest percentage of users of inorganic fertilizers. For LSF, Northern Province (73.1%) ranked highest in the use of inorganic fertilizer while Eastern Province ranked lowest.

Figure 17: Use of Inorganic Fertilizers



On the type of inorganic fertilizer used by Agricultural Operators and LSF (see Table 33), the majority of Agricultural Operators used DAP fertilizer (43.9%), followed by Urea (33.3%), NPK (20.9%). UREA (LIQUID) and LIME were equally used by 0.9% of Agricultural Operators.

Table 33: Type of Inorganic Fertilizer Used (%)

	Agricultural Operators	Large Scale Farmers
NPK	20.9	18.7
UREA	33.3	39.3
UREA(LIQUID)	0.7	1.1
DAP	43.9	38.5
LIME	1.2	2.5

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On the type of fertilizer used by LSF, the majority of LSF used UREA (39.3%), followed by DAP (38.5%) and NPK (18.7%). UREA (LIQUID) and LIME were used by 0.7 % and 1.2 % respectively of LSF.

Table 34: Agricultural Operators Using Inorganic Fertilizers by Type and by Province (%)

Province	Agricultural Operators						Large scale farmers					
	NPK	UREA	UREA (LIQUID)	DAP	LIME	Total	NPK	UREA	UREA (LIQUID)	DAP	LIME	Total
Kigali City	0.2	0.5	0.2	2.9	-	3.8	2.2	4.9	0.5	3.6		11.3
Southern	5.5	3.6	0.1	5.9	0.5	15.6	4.4	4.1		3.3	1.6	13.5
Western	9.0	11.6	0.2	12.7	0.3	33.7	1.9	1.9		1.6		5.5
Northern	4.9	11.4	0.2	14.2	0.4	31.1	7.1	8.0		8.5	0.8	24.5
Eastern	1.3	6.2	0.1	8.2	0.1	15.8	3.0	20.3	0.5	21.4		45.3
Total	20.9	33.3	0.7	43.9	1.2	100	18.7	39.3	1.1	38.5	2.5	100

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Western Province (33.5%) had the largest number of users of inorganic fertilizers while Southern Province (15.6%) had the smallest

number of Agricultural Operators using inorganic fertilizers. For LSF, Eastern Province (45.3%) had the largest number of users and Western Province had the smallest number of users of inorganic fertilizer.

Table 35: Distribution of Agricultural Operators and LSF Using Inorganic Fertilizer by Type

Province	Agricultural Operators					Large scale farmers				
	NPK	UREA	UREA (DAP)	LIME	Total	NPK	UREA	UREA/DAP	LIME	Total
Kigali City	1.0	1.4	30.8	6.6		11.8	12.6	50.0	9.3	
Southern	26.1	10.9	15.4	13.5	39.1	23.5	10.5		8.6	66.7
Western	43.0	34.9	23.1	28.9	21.7	10.3	4.9		4.3	
Northern	23.6	34.2	23.1	32.3	34.8	38.2	20.3		22.1	33.3
Eastern	6.2	18.6	7.7	18.6	4.3	16.2	51.7	50.0	55.7	
Rwanda	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

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Agricultural operators in Western Province were the biggest users of inorganic fertilizers (43.0% for NPK while for LSF the Eastern Province were the biggest users of DAP and Urea (55.7% and 51.7% respectively).

4.4.4 Use of Seeds

In Rwanda, Agricultural Operators used traditional seeds more than improved ones (82.1 % and 17.9 % respectively). The use of traditional seeds and improved seeds by LSF by Province is also given in Table 36 and Figure 18.

Table 36: Agricultural Operators by Type of Seeds Used

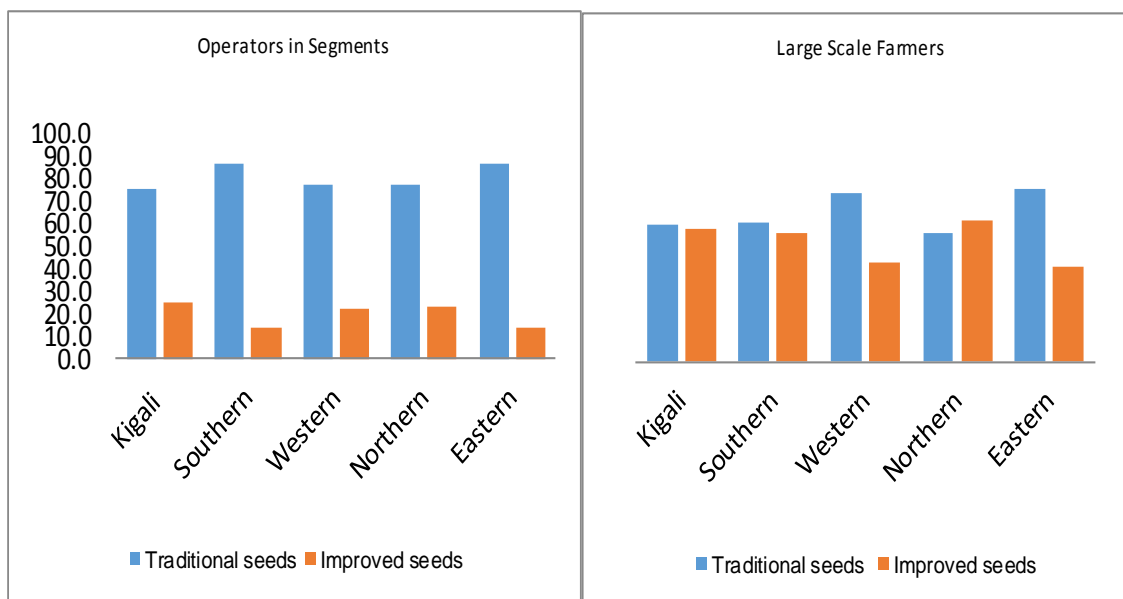
Province	Agricultural Operators		Large Scale Farmers	
	Traditional seeds	Improved seeds	Traditional seeds	Improved seeds
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Kigali City	75.2	24.8	50.6	49.4
Southern	86.4	13.6	52.1	47.9
Western	77.5	22.5	63.0	37.0
Northern	77.2	22.8	47.7	52.3
Eastern	86.6	13.4	64.4	35.6
Rwanda	82.1	17.9	59.0	41.0

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For Agricultural Operators, Eastern Province had the largest share of users of traditional seeds (86.6%) while Kigali City (75.2%) had the largest share of users of improved seeds in Rwanda.

For LSF, the Northern Province (52.3%) had the largest share of users of improved seeds while the Eastern Province (35.6%) had the smallest share of users of improved seeds.

Figure 18: Use of Traditional Seeds and Improved Seed (%)



4.4.5 Irrigation Practice

In Rwanda only 2.2% of Agricultural Operators practiced irrigation. The majority of Agricultural Operators did not practice irrigation. The few Agricultural Operators that practiced irrigation were in the Southern Province (3.4%), Eastern Province (2.3%) and Northern Province (2.1%). The distribution of Agricultural Operators and LSF that practiced irrigation in Rwanda by Province is given in Table 39 and Figure 19.

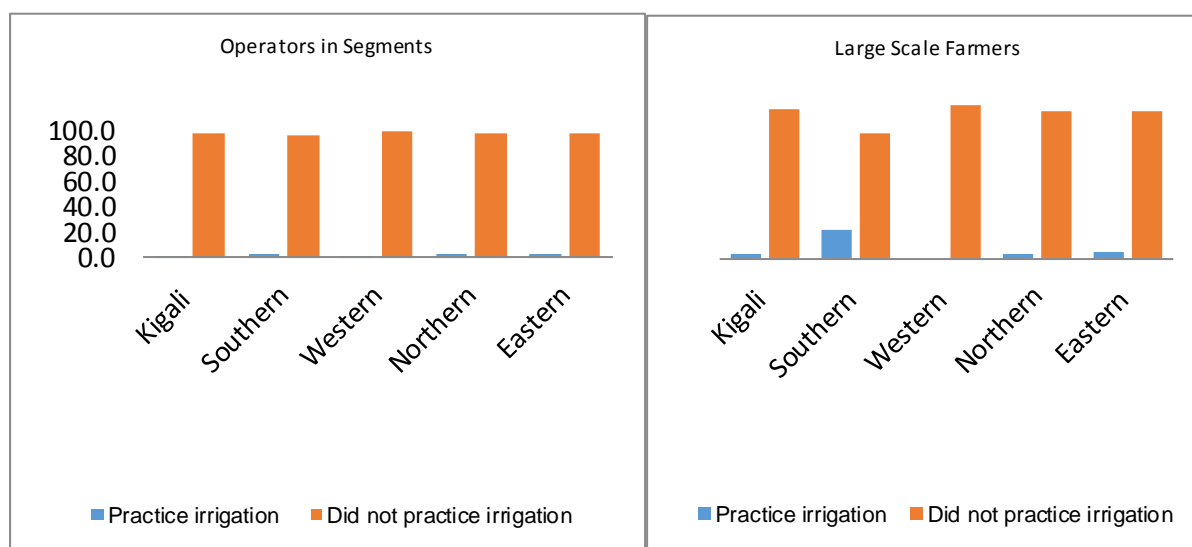
Table 39: Agricultural Operators and Large Scale Farmers Practicing Irrigation (%)

	Agricultural Operators	Large Scale Farmers
Kigali City	1.4	2.8
Southern	3.4	18.6
Western	0.7	-
Northern	2.1	3.0
Eastern	2.3	4.0
Rwanda	2.2	4.6

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The survey results showed that about 4.6 % of LSF in Rwanda practiced irrigation (see Table 39 and

Figure 19: Irrigation Practice by Agriculture Operators and Large Scale Farmers



On the type of irrigation practiced by Agricultural Operators, the survey results showed that the majority of Agricultural Operators practiced Water drainage type of irrigation (64.8%), followed by those that used Watering cans (16.9%) and other (see Table 40).

Table 40: Agricultural Operators by Type of Irrigation Practiced (%)

Province	Agricultural Operators				
	Pumps/tube wells/irrigation machines	Watering can	Water drainage	Other	Total
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Kigali City		2.4			2.4
Southern	0.6	1.5	36.1	7.4	45.6
Western	1.8	2.7	4.1		8.6
Northern		3.6	7.7	7.1	18.3
Eastern		6.8	16.9	1.5	25.1
Rwanda	2.4	16.9	64.8	16.0	100

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Use of water drainage for irrigation was predominantly in the Southern Province (36.1%) and Eastern Province (16.9%). There was very little use of Pumps/Tube wells/Irrigation machines by Agricultural Operators in Rwanda (2.4%).

Table 41: Large Scale Farmers by Type of Irrigation Practiced (%)

	Pumps/tube wells/irrigation machines	Watering can	Water drainage	Other	Total
	Kigali City			3.6	3.6
Southern	3.6	3.6	17.9	7.1	32.1
Northern		3.6	3.6	3.6	10.7
Eastern	28.6	3.6	3.6	14.3	50.0
Rwanda	32.1	10.7	28.6	28.6	100

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Most of the LSF in Rwanda practiced the Pumps/Tube wells/Irrigation Machines type of irrigation (32.1%) and Water Drainage (28.6%) type of irrigation.

4.4.6 Anti-erosion Activities

Erosion refers to the process in which the earth's surface is worn away. Due the mountainous landscape of Rwanda, the Agricultural Operators practice anti-erosion activities to prevent the wasting away of the earth. The survey results (see Table 42 and Figure 20) show the distribution of Agricultural Operators and LSF practicing anti-erosion activities.

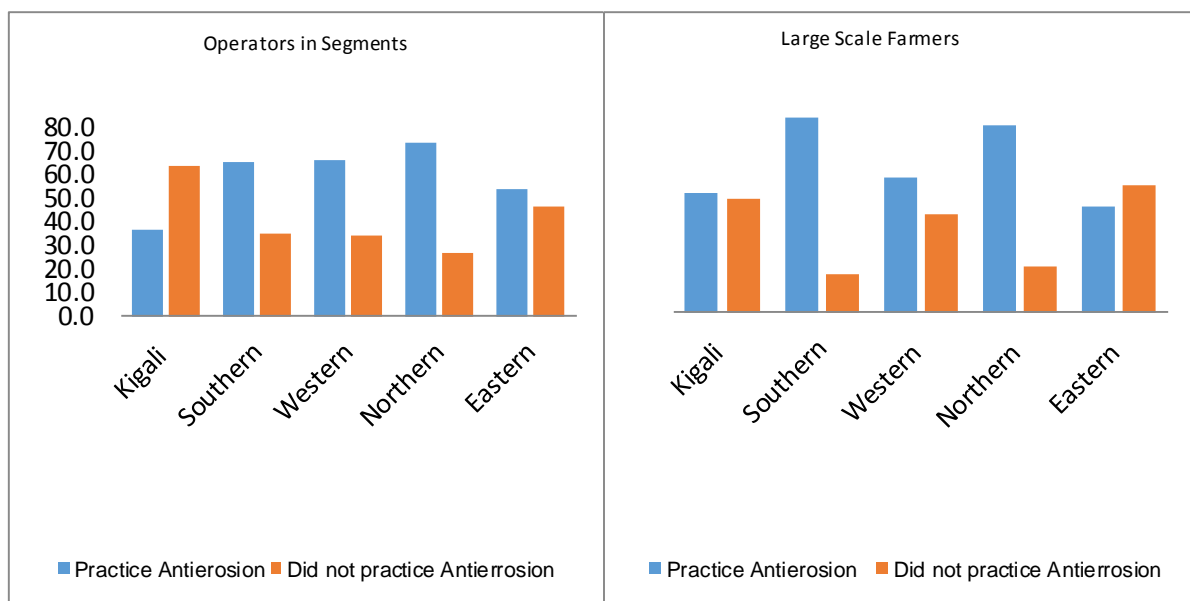
Anti-erosion was practiced by 63.2 % of Agricultural Operators and 53.9 % of LSF. Most of the anti-erosion activities were available for Agricultural Operators in the Northern Province (73.7%) followed by Western Province (65.8%) , Southern Province (65.4%), Eastern Province (53.5%) and Kigali City (36.8%).

Table 42: Anti-erosion Activities by Agricultural Operators and Large Scale Farmers (%)

	Agricultural Operators	LSF
Kigali City	36.8	51.4
Southern	65.4	83.7
Western	65.8	58.1
Northern	73.7	80.6
Eastern	53.5	45.3
Rwanda	63.2	53.9

For LSF, the Southern Province ranked high with 83.7 % having anti-erosion activities followed by Northern with 80.6 %, Western (58.1%), and Kigali City (51.4%).

Figure 20: Anti-erosion Activities by Agriculture Operators and Large Scale Farmers (%)



The Survey shows that in Rwanda the most practiced erosion control measures by Agricultural Operators in all Provinces were Grasses (48.7%) and Ditches (29.2%) (see Table 43). Other erosion control measures such as planting of trees, terracing, progressive tracing, waterway and mulching were also practiced by a small number of Agricultural Operators. The Western Province (30.5%), Southern Province (28.2%) and Northern Province (21.7%) were high in their use of anti-erosion control measures.

Table 45: Type of Pesticide used by Agricultural Operators

	DITHANE	RIDOMIL	DIMETHOATE		DURSIBAN	TILT	PILKARE	OTHER	Total
			TE	TRINE			PESTICIDE		
Kigali City	1.5	0.2	0.3	0.8	0.4		1.1	4.3	
Southern	3.8	0.4	0.3	6.5	1.3		0.1	13.4	
Western	15.2	9.3	6.8	5.5	1.0	0.1	0.1	48.6	
Northern	8.8	3.1	3.4	5.5	1.6	0.1	0.1	23.7	
Eastern	2.9	0.8	1.3	3.9	0.2	0.1	0.9	10.0	
Rwanda	32.1	13.8	12.0	22.2	4.5	0.3	0.2	100	

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For Agricultural Operators, the Western Province (48.6%) had the highest use of pesticides, followed by Northern Province (23.7%), Southern Province (13.4%) and Eastern Province (10.0%).

Countrywide the majority of LSF used Dithane pesticide (24.4%), followed by Cypermethrin pesticide (20.0%), Dimethoate pesticide (19.4%) and Ridomil pesticide (15.6%) (see Table 46 and Figure 21). Only 13.9 % of LSF used other pesticides

Table 46: Type of Pesticide used by LSF

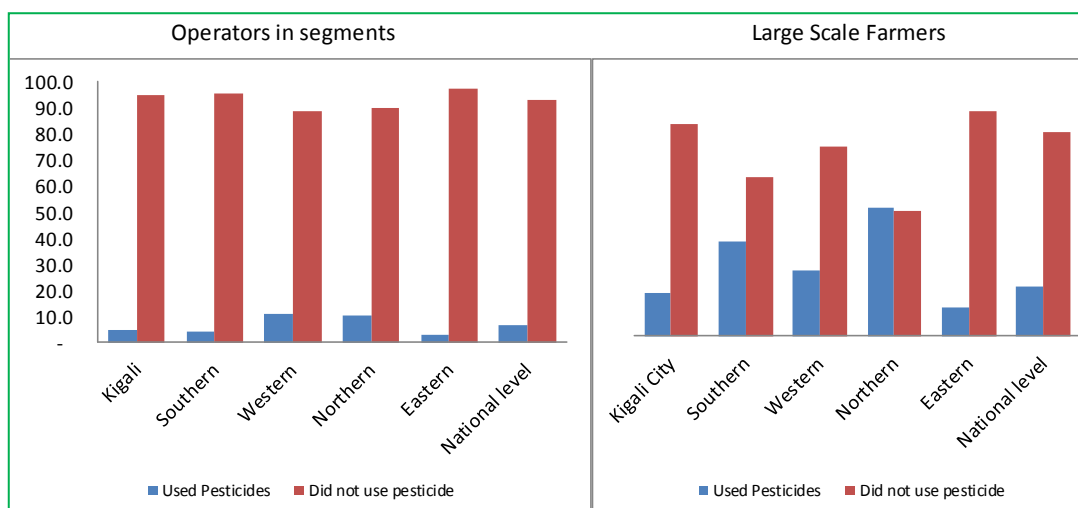
	DITHANE	RIDOMIL	DIMETHOATE	CYPERMETRINE	DURSIBAN	OTHER PESTICIDE	Total
Kigali City	1.1	1.1	3.3		0.6	2.8	8.9
Southern	2.8	1.7	0.6	4.4	2.2	1.7	13.3
Western	2.8	0.6	0.6	1.1	0.6		5.6
Northern	13.9	8.3	4.4	8.3	1.1	2.8	38.9
Eastern	3.9	3.9	10.6	6.1	2.2	6.7	33.3
All Rwanda	24.4	15.6	19.4	20.0	6.7	13.9	100

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In LSF, Northern Province (38.9%) was the Province with the largest number of users of pesticides, followed by the Eastern Province (33.3%), Southern Province (13.3%), Kigali City (8.9%)

and Western Province (5.6%).

Figure 21: Use of Pesticides by Agriculture Operators and LSF



4.5 Small Agricultural Equipment

The survey results showed that countrywide, most of the expenditure by Agricultural Operators was on the Hoe (25.1%) followed by the Bicycle (16.1%) (See Table 47). The expenditures on the other tools that were used for cultivation by Agricultural Operators were below 10 % each of the total expenditure.

Table 47: Expenditure by Type of Small Agricultural Equipment

Small Agricultural Equipment	Agricultural Operator	LSF
Hoe	25.1	7.7
Spring Hoe	2.1	0.3
Hoe majagu	5.3	11.2
Rake	0.1	27.7
Pick/ Ipiki	1.4	0.6
Wheelbarrow	0.4	1.8
Shovel/igitiyo	1.7	0.6
Sprayer	6.6	5.0
Watering can	0.9	0.2
Scie	0.2	0.1
Sickle	2.6	3.4
Sécateurs	0.1	0.0
Scythe	0.3	0.0
Axe/ishoka	1.8	0.3
Machete	3.8	1.4
Billhook	0.1	0.0
Mixer/umuvure	1.7	0.4
Mortar/isekuru	0.7	0.1
Mill/urusyo	0.1	0.0
Basket	2.6	0.9
Sack	4.9	9.6
Big basket	0.3	0.1
Pitcher	0.4	0.0
Winnower	1.6	3.8
Basket/ikibo	0.9	0.1
Basket/inkangara	0.2	0.0
Churn/igisabo	0.4	0.3
Calabash	0.1	0.1
Milk can/igicuba	0.7	3.3
Milk ju(icyansi)/ Milk container	0.2	0.6
Scales	2.6	1.8
Jerry.can	7.9	1.6
Barrel	2.4	1.1
Bike	16.1	4.9
Craft bike	0.2	0.0
Bowl/ingeremer	0.3	0.2
Others (specify)	3.3	10.9
Total	100	100
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Expenditure on small agricultural equipment by LSF was mainly on the Rake (27.7%) and Hoe Majagu (11.2%). Expenditures on the other tools that were used for cultivation by LSFs were below 10 % each of the total expenditure.

The survey results showed that In terms of percentage number of donations received by Agricultural Operators, Sacks (39.8%) were the largest donation followed by Baskets (15.1%) and Sickle (12.6%) (see Table 48). The rest of the donations of small agricultural equipment received by Agricultural Operators was each below 10% of the national total of donations that were received.

Table 48: Small Equipment Received from Non Agricultural Donors (%)

Hoe	8.1	0.1
Spring Hoe	0.3	0.0
Hoe majagu	0.2	0.1
Rake	0.2	0.1
Pick/Ipiki	0.2	0.0
Wheelbarrow	0.2	0.1
Shovel/igitiyo	0.2	0.1
Sprayer	0.1	0.1
Watering can	0.4	0.0
Scie	9.8	
Sickle	12.6	0.3
Sécateurs	0.2	
Scythe	0.2	
Axe/ishoka	0.1	13.0
Machete	0.2	0.0
Billhook	0.3	
Mixer/umuvure	0.1	
Mortar/isekuru	0.1	
Mill/urusyo	0.2	
Basket	15.1	
Sack	39.8	30.9
Big basket	0.2	
Pitcher	0.3	
Winnower	0.1	
Basket/kibo	0.3	0.0
Basket/inkangara	0.2	0.0
Churn/igisabo	0.1	0.0
Calabash	0.2	0.0
Milk can/igicuba	0.2	0.0
Milk ju(icyansi)/ Milk container	0.2	
Scales	0.2	0.1
Jerry-can	1.9	32.7
Barrel	0.2	17.1
Bike	0.2	0.0
Craft bike	0.3	0.0
Bowl/ingeremeri	0.4	
Others(specify)	6.6	5.2
Total	100	100
2013 Seasonal Agricultural Survey - Season A		

Donations received by LSF were slightly different from those received by Agricultural Operators and were as follows: Jerry-can (32.7%), Sack (30.9%), Barrel (17.1%) and Axe/Ishoka (13.0%)

4.6 Use of Crop Production by Agricultural Operators and by Large Scale Farmers

Clearly the majority of the crop production (50% or more) by agricultural operators was consumed by the household except for Pyrethrum and Passion fruit which were consumed 100 % by the Agricultural Operators households. The rest of the crop production for some crops was offered as gifts to others, seed or stored. A small percentage of the crop production for some crops was used for payment of hired labour.

With respect to LSF, although the use of crop production was similar to that of Agricultural Operators, on the crop production consumed by the household, only Avocado was consumed 100 % by the LSF households. For some crops, a substantial percentage of the production was used as wages for hired labour, offered as gifts to others and used as seed or put in storage.

Chapter 5: 2013 Season B Survey Results

5.1 Demographic and Social Characteristics of Agricultural Operators

Characteristics of Agricultural Operators describe the number, type, gender, age, education level, residency in segments, farming activities and cooperative membership.

5.1.1 Number of Agricultural Operators by Type

The survey results showed that most of the Agricultural Operators (99.3%) were individual farmers of which about 0.7 % only were members of cooperatives.

The distribution of Agricultural Operators in Segments by Province is given in Figure 22 while the distribution of LSF by Province is given in Figure 23. The distribution of Agricultural Operators was highest in the Southern Province (30.1%), followed by Western Province (24.3%) and Eastern Provinces (23.9%) , Northern Province (18.2%). The number and percentage of Agricultural Operators and Large Scale Farmers (LSF) by Province in 2013 Season B is given in Table 51 below.

Table 51: Number of Agricultural Operators by Province

Province	Agriculture Operators in Segments					Number of LSF		
	Individual Farmers		Cooperative	Total				
	Number	% Number	% Number	% Number	% Number	% Number	%	
Kigali City	539	98.9	6	1.1	545	3.5	60	12
Southern	4,691	99.2	38	0.8	4,729	30.1	39	8
Western	3,797	99.4	23	0.6	3,820	24.3	32	6
Northern	2,822	98.9	32	1.1	2,854	18.2	62	12
Eastern	3,771	99.7	11	0.3	3,782	23.9	310	62
Total	15,620	99.3	110	0.7	15,730	100	503	100

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In 2013 Season B, 503 Large Scale Farmers were listed and enumerated in Rwanda. The Eastern Province was represented by 62 % of the LSF followed by 12 % in Kigali City, 12 % in Northern Province, 8 % in Southern Province and 6 % in

Western Province (see Figure 23).

Figure 22: Distribution of Agricultural Operators by Province

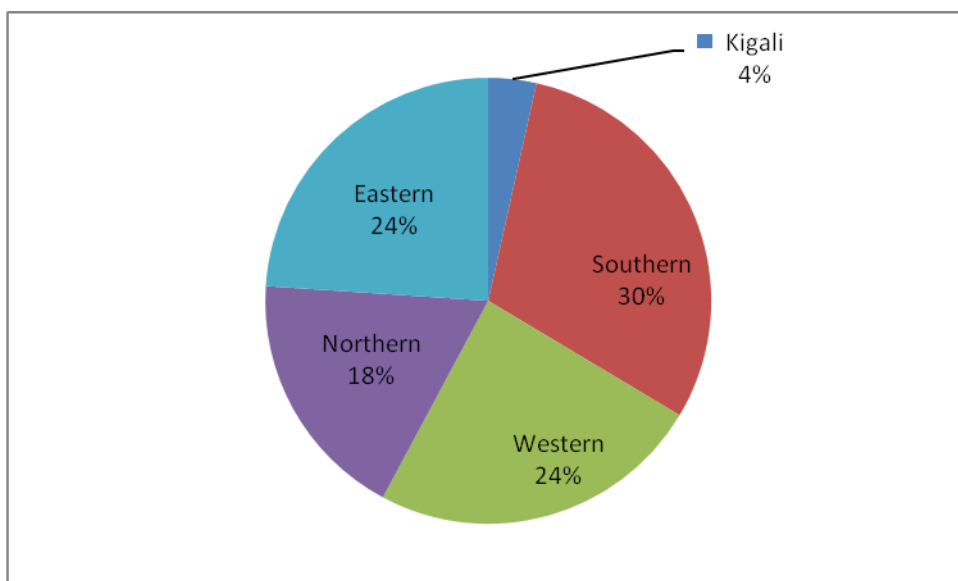
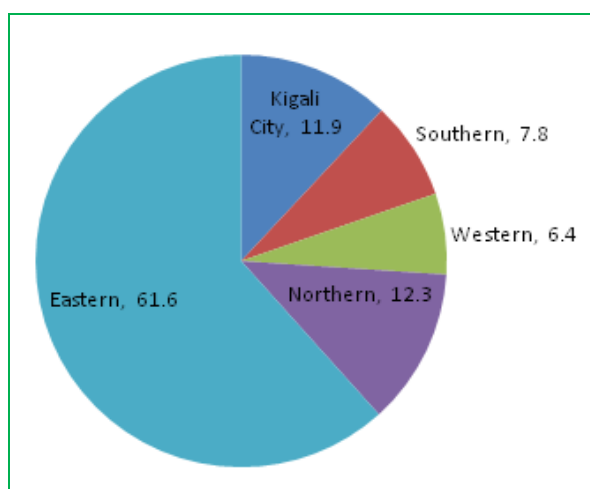


Figure 23: Distribution of Large Scale Farmers by Province



The cooperative membership of Agricultural Operators and LSF is given in Table 52. Among 503 LSF, 67.8 % stated being members of agricultural cooperatives while 32.2 % stated not being a member of an agricultural cooperative. Among 15,616 Agricultural Operators 19% were members of cooperatives and 81% were not members of cooperatives.

Table 52 : Cooperative Membership for Agricultural Operators and LSF

Province	Agricultural Operators			Large Scale Farmers		
	Yes	No	Total	Yes	No	Total
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Kigali City	22.0	78.0	100	30.0	70.0	100
Southern	24.0	76.0	100	69.2	30.8	100
Western	14.7	85.3	100	81.3	18.8	100
Northern	8.7	91.3	100	56.5	43.5	100
Eastern	26.9	73.1	100	75.8	24.2	100
Rwanda	19.6	80.4	100	67.8	32.2	100

2013 Seasonal Agriculture Survey - Season B

The cooperative membership of Agricultural Operators was highest in Eastern Province (26.6%) followed by the Southern Province (24.0%). For the LSF, Western Province had a highest proportion (81.3%)

followed by Eastern Province (75.8%), Southern Province (69.2%), Northern Province (56.5%) and Kigali City (30.0%).

5.1.2 Number of Agricultural Operators by Gender

The percentage distribution of Agricultural Operators in Rwanda by gender is given in Table 53. In 2013 Season B the percentage distribution of Agricultural Operators in Rwanda by gender was 67.7 % male and 32.3 % female.

Table 53: Distribution of Agricultural Operator by Gender and Province

	Agriculture Operators		
	Male	Female	Total
Kigali City	60.9	39.1	100
Southern	64.8	35.2	100
Western	68.2	31.8	100
Northern	69.0	31.0	100
Eastern	70.5	29.5	100
Rwanda	67.7	32.3	100

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In Season B 2013, the comparison of gender distribution by Province showed that the largest number of male Agricultural Operators (70.5%) was in the Eastern Province while the smallest number of male Agricultural Operators (60.9%) was in Kigali City.

Figure 24: Distribution of Agricultural Operators by Gender and Province



The largest number of female Agricultural Operators (39.1%) was in Kigali City while the smallest number of female Agricultural Operators (29.5%) was in Eastern Province. The distribution of Agricultural Operators by gender and Province is shown in Figure 24.

5.1.3 Age distribution of Agricultural Operators

Table 55 shows that the majority of Agricultural Operators in Season B 2013 were in the age group 55 and above (25.2%) followed by 24.1 % of Agricultural Operators in age-group 25-34, 23.5% of Agricultural Operators were in age-group 35-44 while 21.6 % were in age-group 45-54.

Table 54: Age Distribution of Agricultural Operators

	Agricultural Operators in Segments				
	14-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and Above
Kigali City	3.9	28.6	25.5	20.1	21.9
Southern	4.6	22.6	22.4	23.7	26.6
Western	5.3	23.2	23.1	22.5	25.9
Northern	5.5	23.5	24.4	20.5	26.1
Eastern	7.4	26.7	24.4	19.1	22.4
Rwanda	5.6	24.1	23.5	21.6	25.2

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The age group distribution of Agricultural Operators by Province varied more in the age group 25-34 with Kigali City (28.6%) being highest and Southern Province (22.6%) being lowest. The least variation

was in the age group 35-44 with Kigali City (25.6%) being the highest and Southern Province (22.4%) being the lowest.

The distribution of male Agricultural Operators in Rwanda was high in the age-group 25-34 (28.2%) followed by 24.7 % of male Agricultural Operators in age-group 35-44, 20.5 % of male operators in age-group 45-54 and 21.0 % in age-group 55 and above (See Table 55).

Table 55: Age Distribution of Male Agricultural Operators

	Agricultural Operators				
	14-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and Above
Kigali City	4.3	32.0	24.1	18.6	21.0
Southern	4.6	27.3	23.7	22.6	21.8
Western	5.3	27.4	24.5	21.4	21.4
Northern	5.2	27.0	25.9	20.2	21.7
Eastern	7.6	30.5	25.3	17.6	19.1
Rwanda	5.6	28.2	24.7	20.5	21.0

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The age group distribution of male Agricultural Operators by Province varied more in the age group 25-34 Kigali City (32.0%) being highest and Northern Province (27.4%) being lowest.

The least variation was in the age group 35-44 with the Northern Province being the highest (25.9%) and Southern Province (23.7%) being the lowest.

The distribution of female Agricultural Operators in Rwanda was highest in the age-group 55 and above (33.9%) followed by 24 % of female operators in age-group 45-54, 21.1 % of female Agricultural Operators in age-group 35-44 and 15.5 % in age-group 25-34 (see Table 56).

Table 56: Age Distribution of Female Agricultural Operators

	Agricultural Operators				
	14-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and Above
Kigali City	3.3	23.2	28.0	22.3	23.2
Southern	4.5	13.9	20.2	26.0	35.5
Western	5.5	14.1	20.0	25.0	35.4
Northern	6.1	15.8	21.1	21.2	35.8
Eastern	7.0	17.6	22.2	22.7	30.4
Rwanda	5.5	15.5	21.1	24.0	33.9

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The age group distribution of female Agricultural Operators by Province varied more in the age group 55 and Above with Northern Province (35.8%) being highest and Kigali City (23.2%) being lowest. The least variation

was in the age group 14-24 with the Eastern Province (7.0%) being the highest and Kigali City (3.3%) being the lowest.

5.1.4 Education level of Agricultural Operators

In Rwanda the survey results of 2013 Season B showed 64.1 % of agricultural operators had completed primary level education, 29.5 % had no education, 5.4 % attained secondary level education and only 1 % had completed tertiary level education.

Table 57. Education level of Agricultural Operators (%)

	Agricultural Operators				Total
	Primary	Secondary	Tertiary	No educatio	
Kigali City	62.0	16.9	2.6	18.6	100
Southern	65.8	3.9	0.6	29.7	100
Western	63.1	5.0	1.1	30.8	100
Northern	64.4	4.3	1.0	30.3	100
Eastern	63.2	6.9	1.0	28.9	100
Rwanda	64.1	5.4	1.0	29.5	100

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For those Agricultural Operators that had completed primary level education their distribution by province was reasonably uniform with Southern Province having slightly higher percentage (65.8%). For those

Agricultural Operators that had no education, the Western Province had the highest percentage (30.8%) while Kigali City had the lowest percentage (18.6%) of Agricultural Operators. For those that had completed secondary education, Kigali City (16.9%) had the highest percentage while Southern Province had the lowest 3.9 %. For those that had completed Tertiary education Kigali City had the highest (2.6%) proportion of Agricultural Operators while Southern Province had the lowest 0.6 % of Agricultural Operators.

The figure 25 shows the distribution of education level of agricultural operators by province during 2013 Agricultural Season B.

the Northern Province (84.8%) while the smallest proportion were in Kigali City (55.6%).

Table 60: Agricultural Operators Activities (%)

	Agricultural Operators			Total
	Cropping	Livestock	Cropping & Livestock	
Kigali City	42.9	1.5	55.6	100
Southern	20.3	0.4	79.3	100
Western	24.3	0.3	75.4	100
Northern	15.1	0.1	84.8	100
Eastern	26.9	0.4	72.6	100
Rwanda	22.7	0.4	76.9	100

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For those agricultural operators that undertook crop farming activities only, Kigali City (42.9%) had the highest proportion of the Agricultural Operators, followed by Eastern Province (26.9%), Western Province (24.3%), Southern Province

(20.9%) and the lowest proportion was in the Northern Province (15.1%).

5.1.6 Residency of Agricultural Operators in Segments

The survey results of 2013 Season B showed that the majority of Agricultural Operators (71.6%) were nonresident while 28.4 % were residents (see Table 61).

Table 61: Agricultural Operators by Residency (%)

	Agricultural Operator		Total
	Resident	Non resident	
Kigali City	35.4	64.6	100
Southern	27.5	72.5	100
Western	26.4	73.6	100
Northern	27.4	72.6	100
Eastern	31.2	68.8	100
Rwanda	28.4	71.6	100

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On the nonresident Agricultural Operators, Kigali City had the lowest proportion (64.6%) while the rest of the Provinces had proportions around 70%. On the Residents, Kigali City had the highest percentage (35.4%) and the rest of the provinces had between 26-30 % Agricultural Operators resident in the segments.

5.1.7 Date of Sowing, Production Expectation Date and Expected Date of Harvest

For some crops, sowing for 2013 Season B was done by Agricultural Operators as early as January 2013. Crops in this group were mainly root crops, Cassava, Sweet potatoes and Yams & Taro. The starting dates of sowing crops by Agricultural Operators and LSF are summarized in tables 62 and 63.

Figure 26: Percentage Share of Agriculture Land by Crop

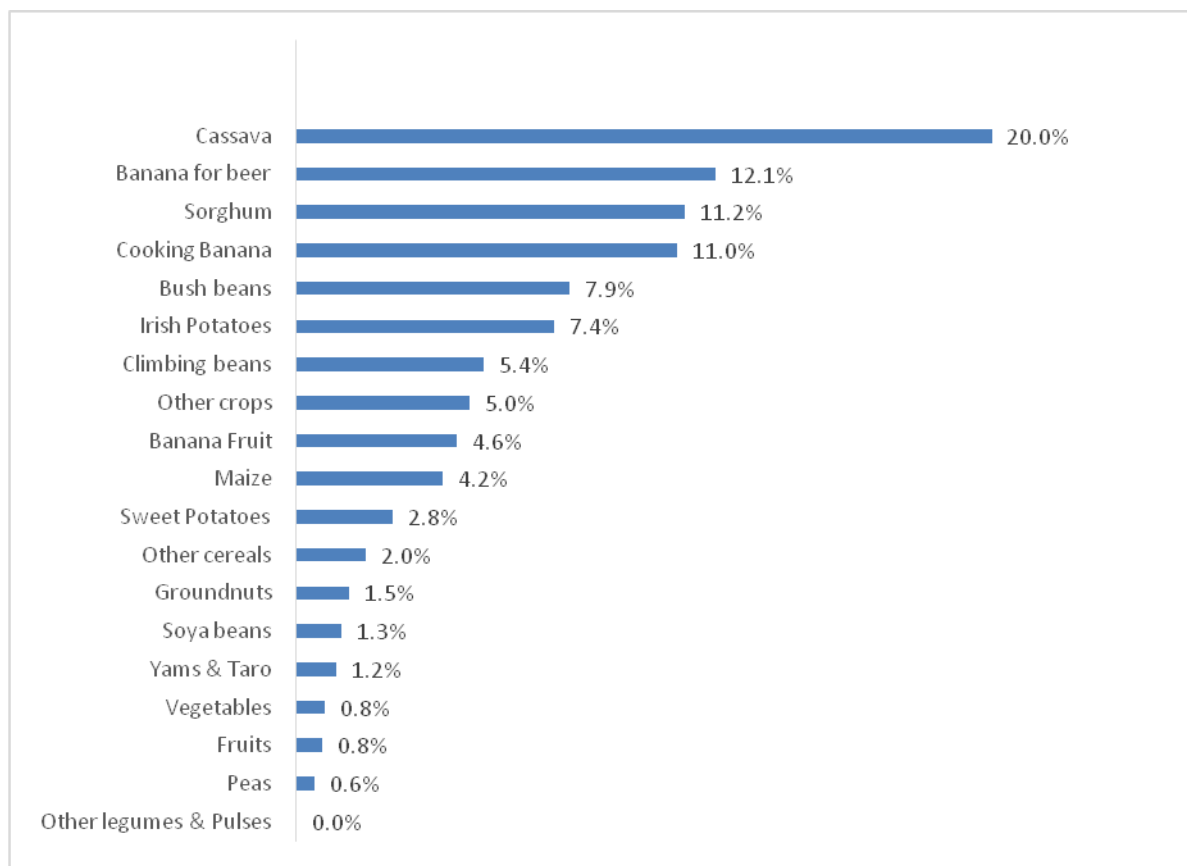
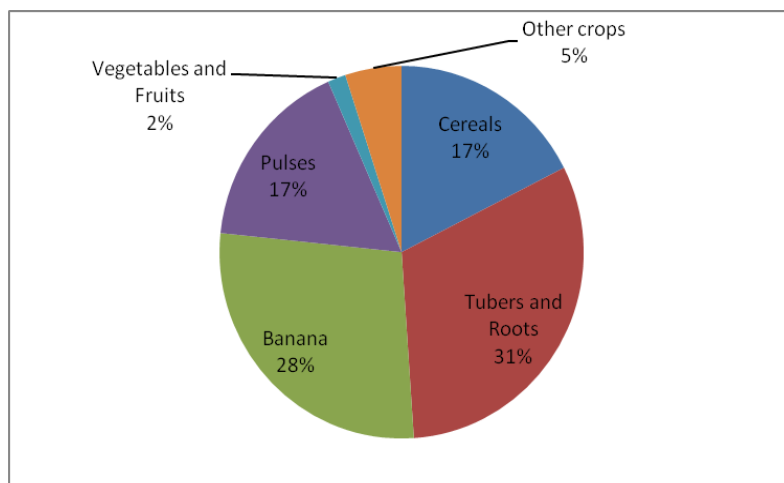


Figure 27: percentage share of Agriculture Land by Group of Crops



5.2.3 Crop Yields

Crop yield also known as “Agricultural output” refers to the measure of yield of a crop per unit area of land cultivation (see Table 72).

Table 72: Crops Yield (KG/Ha) by Province

Crops	Kigali City	Southern	Western	Northern	Eastern	Rwanda
Maize	827	1,705	1,262	733	805	1,009
Sorghum	1,069	1,059	1,091	1,287	1,447	1,291
Other cereals	10,676	3,097	2,353	3,190	5,273	4,108
Cassava	327	1,420	1,084	1,489	922	1,163
Sweet Potatoes	5,051	5,629	5,815	5,795	5,648	5,716
Irish Potatoes	1,272	2,353	4,202	2,571	1,672	3,106
Yams & Taro	525	3,657	3,796	2,155	1,830	2,890
Cooking Banana	2,046	1,504	2,146	2,575	4,268	3,405
Dessert banana	1,354	1,590	1,573	2,844	2,464	1,996
Banana for beer	1,847	2,680	3,071	4,755	4,019	3,426
Bush beans	686	644	645	657	605	623
Climbing beans	557	675	855	948	754	849
Peas	784	471	278	462	418	390
Groundnuts	281	486	698	572	356	399
Soya beans	400	246	306	337	235	263
Other crops	7,563	5,024	2,003	8,188	11,332	5,874
Vegetables	12,262	7,034	4,682	6,694	9,270	7,010

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In terms of crop yields the survey results showed that Irish potatoes had high yields mainly in the Western and Northern Provinces; Cooking Banana had high yields in the Eastern Province and Northern Province; Maize had high yields in Southern Province; etc.

Conclusion

The 2013 Seasonal Agriculture Survey highlighted efforts being made in agriculture sector in to increase crop productivity. It clearly shows the link between agriculture modernization and output levels and supports further interventions with evidence.

And most important, although Rwanda has experienced substantial growth in agriculture recently due to reforms introduced in the sector, evidence indicates that there is still considerable opportunities to boost production further and contribute more to food security, poverty reduction and overall development.

This pioneer agriculture survey identified room for improvement in agriculture sector, leading to further policy perspectives taking into account some key elements such as increase in the use of improved seeds, fertilizers and pesticides. This would be supported by strengthening irrigation and anti-erosion activities.

Finally, in all cases, a combination of improved farmer knowledge and farmers' operational capacity and high value crop prioritization are necessary. Moreover, linkage with agro processing and markets are keys to sustain value addition.

